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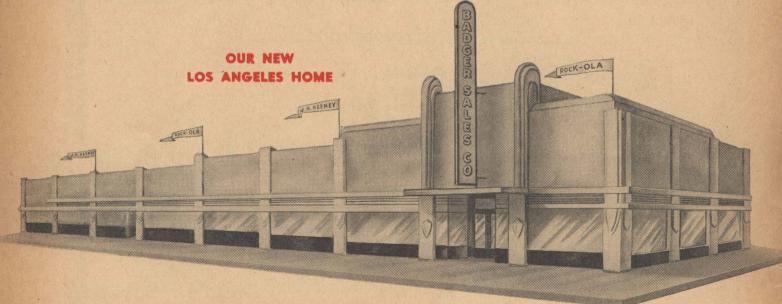
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A.O.A. Expanding

NEW YORK-The Arcade Owners' Association of America, at its last meeting on November 29th, announced the appointment of Mr. Barnett R. Berkens as its Executive Secretary. Berkens gave the Executive Secretary. Berkens gave the meeting some general information regarding the formulation of future plans that will be of great benefit to all Arcade Owners in the United States. He pointed out that a comprehensive and careful study will be made of the tax laws in each state, city and community so that when tax hearings are to be held, the Association will be in a position to present all the facts before any legislative body. The Association will very shortly publish its own bulletin for circulation among Arcade Owners. Complete details will be given concerning Federal and State taxes, the advantages that Arcade Owners can realize from that Arcade Owners can realize from reduced costs on fire and casualty insurance and articles of vital interest.

The Arcade Owners Association of America is now accepting applications for membership from Arcade Owners in the United States and also welcomes inquiries concerning any phase of Arcade activity at its offices, 1776 Broadway, New York 19, New

Ash Appointed Head

DETROIT—Rex Jacobs, of F. L. Jacobs
Co., has appointed Edward A. Ash as
director of the firm's major appliance division which includes Coca-Cola bottle vending machines.

On the Cover---

Credit for this month's striking model falls on Orville Logan Snider, nationally famous cover photographer whose work appears on some of the country's lead-ing class publications. This study was taken especially for THE REVIEW'S January cover. Like it?

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50-Record Swedish Phono Playing 100 Tunes Offered Manufacturers

LOS ANGELES-What is claimed to be a "revolutionary new automatic phonograph which virtually provides a complete music library on tap" is now about to be introduced in the United States, according to Harry H. Berkson, United States representative of the engineers and developers.

Phonograph is the result of four years experimentation by a group of Swedish engineers who have evolved an entirely new principal in the handling of records. Originally planned as a home instrument, the phonograph was about ready for introduction at the outbreak of the war. During the war years the Swedish interests have been in communication with principles in this country and the feasibility of a coin-operated instrument developed.

Among the special features listed by Berkson are: 1. Record-stack holds 50 records; 2. Machine will play either side records; 2. Machine will play either side of any record; 3. Records may be assorted 10 or 12 inch; 4. Any record, either side, can be selected at the touch of a button; 5. Machine gives approximately 7 hours of continuous music; 6. A total selectivity of 100 recordings; and, 7. Any number of records can be pre-selected, and will play without further attention.

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Records are held in an upright position and are played in the same position. Records do not turn over. Two turnt bles, revolving in opposite directions, are provided for playing both sides of a disc, and two tone arms are employed. Records are held rigid and the over-all picture is one of a mechanism playing records while resting on its side. No distortion is evidenced, according to the engineers, and the amplification and tonal quality equals the best of today. Operation is extremely simple, it is stated, and Berkson believes that such a phonograph will prove most profitable because of the wide musical menu it provides.

Berkson is negotiating for the manufacture of the instrument in the United States and expects to appoint one manufacturer to handle the home model and one manufacturer to handle the coin-controlled unit. Complete blueprints, sketches and specifications are in his possession, along with patent petitions and other documents.

Questioned as to the possible selling price of the machine, Berkson said he believed the home model, with a radio added, could be manufactured to sell through the customary distributor-dealer channels for around \$1,000 and the coinoperated job could be manufactured and sold through the prevalent practices in this field, for around \$850.00.

There is no doubt but what many new coin-operated devices in various fields will crop up from European inventors who have been active during the war years. At least, here is the first to come from

Chi. Tax Sticks

CHICAGO--City has decided to keep the phono tax at its present fee of \$50 but regulatory measures will be dropped in accordance with a recent decision by the Illinois Supreme Court which held for the second time within a year that the tax ordinance was not acceptable under the laws

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Collins Heads Canteen

NEW YORK—John T. Collins, president of the N. Y. Automatic Canteen Corp., was reelected president of the Canteen Distributors, Inc., at the second annual meeting at the Statler Hotel, Cleve-

hand. Representatives from 37 cities in which Canteen operates were present.
Officers elected included: W. J. Betz,
Indianapolis, vice president; J. C. Lafever,
Cleveland, treasurer, and T. E. England,
Newark, Ohio, secretary.

Evans' Machines Coming

LOS ANGELES—"We'll have the first new Evans machines along about Christmas," was the early December prediction of Leonard Micon, of Pacific Coast Distributors, Evans factory distributors for Southern California and Arizona. "The first machines will be combinations and they will be rapidly followed by other new numbers in the extensive Evans line. new numbers in the extensive Evans line. We cordially invite operators to make it a point to see these first arrivals. We'll have them uncrated and ready for inspection by the time you read this.

Bally Appoints Rosenfeld ST. LOUIS—Jack Rosenfeld, prominent

coin machine personality, has been appointed exclusive distributor for the St. Louis territory. Company will be known as the J. Rosenfeld Co., and has taken over a location at 3218 Olive St., where 22,000 square feet will be devoted to Bally products and service. A parking lot has been provided for in the rear of the building for the convenience of operators.

For the past three years Rosenfeld has

been in the Navy and was honorably dis-charged from the service the early part

of the year.

Laymon Has New Ones
LOS ANGELES—"It's been practically a mad house for the last few days since the new machines arrived," declared Paul A. Laymon in summing up the activity in his jobbing establishment since the first Bally and Gottlieb games were placed on display.

First to arrive was the Bally "Undersea Raider," an upright gun that gives the player the thrills of firing at real enemy targets from an underseas sub. Realistic periscope carries out the illusion and the play is fast, furious and exciting.

Closely following on the display floor was D. Gottlieb's first new post-war game, "Stage Door Canteen", a five-ball novelty game. "We've had some wonderful comments on the game and booked some fine orders," said Paul, "and we can recommend this new Gottlieb machine to all our

Another new Bally Game has made its appearance. It's the "Victory Derby"—a one-ball multiple pay table with lots of action, flash and color.

The new machine parade has definitely started and Laymon is right in the front row displaying the new ones as fast as they arrive on the Coast.

Detroit Film Censor

DETROIT -Arrangements have been mad here for the censoring of 16 MM film subjects.

Max Blumenthal, operator of the Film Exchange Studio, has operated his studio for the screening of all theatrical and special purpose 35 mm films for the Deroit Police Censor for a number of years. Blumenthal has added a new 16 mm projector so censoring can be extended to

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Candy Merger Ahead

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—A step toward merger of the Clinton Co., Clinton, Ia., the country's third largest manufacturer of corn products, with its parent organization, the National Candy Co., St. Louis, will be voted upon at a meeting of candy company stockholders December 27th in Flemington, N. J. Clinton Co. stockholders already approved charter changes requisite to the merger.

Cigs Better Than Cash

TOKIO-Japanese people, as the peoples of Europe before them, are using American cigarettes for cash. A party of American sailors persuaded a Japanese woman to part with her kimona right on the spot, for two cartons of cigarettes. She walked off in her red cotton Long-Johns, entered a store and did some brisk shopping with the packages.

About the best deal an American has

made to date, was consummated by an army officer who swapped two cartons of cigarettes and two packages of gum for six beautifully matched pearls.

Gutshall in S.F.

LOS ANGELES—Jack Gutshall, head of the Jack Gutshall Distributing Co., has just returned from San Francisco where he made arrangements for the opening of the Rhythm Music Co., a record distribut-ing branch to be under the management of Dave Rosenbaum. Spot is located on 6th Street and will be functioning the first of the year with all of the labels handled locally by the Gutshall organization. Two salesmen will work out of the S. F. office and an additional salesman will be added

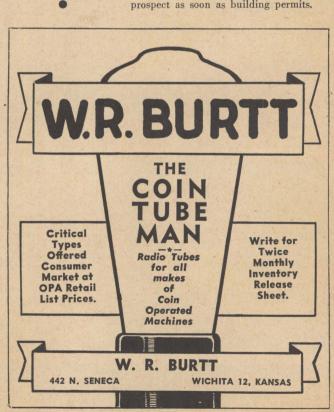
here to call upon the trade.

Southern Music, Memphis, has been appointed distributors for Gutshall labels in Tennessee, Louisiana, Mississippi and Ar-

kansas.

In preparation for a big 1946 the local offices have been redecorated and the exterior of the building painted and newly lettered. Additional floor space has been added and a new addition in the rear is in prospect as soon as building permits.





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CMAC Elects Dick

CHICAGO—Robert M. Waggener, President of Coin Machine Acceptance Corp., has just announced the election of George M. Dick to the position of Executive Vice President of CMAC. Dick will henceforth make his headquarters at the main office in Chicago and will eventually take up residence here.

Dick will remain a Vice President of the parent organization of CMAC, American Business Credit Corp., New York, N. Y. Dick has been associated with CMAC for several years in the capacity of Vice President and Director. Waggener advises that CMAC will be considerably strengthened by this move, because Dick brings with him a wealth of experience in the finance industry, having been in this field for the past 23 years.

In view of the tremendous forward steps the Coin Machine Industry can now take

In view of the tremendous forward steps the Coin Machine Industry can now take because of the war's end, and the expansion program which CMAC has in mind, Dick's appointment is opportune and will be of great value in handling the anticipated increase in volume for which CMAC has planned.

Columnist Jests Show

CHICAGO—The November 20th issue of the *Chicago News* humorously treated a showing of new equipment held by O. D. Jennings & Co. at the Sherman hotel.

Said columnist Arthur Sommerfeld, in part: "The Bullfight Room is a cozy out-of-the-way spot for men to gather . . . but what are those gleaming streamlined machines on a side table? Can they be? No—they couldn't. But they are! Ask those salesmen.

wyup, boys, there they are. The 1946 models of O. D. Jennings. And hurry, fellows, the firm has a backlog of 7,000 orders and goes into production the first of the year.

of the year.

"Now that one on the right, the Bronze Chief, will be around \$200. The Club Chief, that smaller beauty on the left, will be a little less. But they are not for sale in Illinois. No, just for clubs in other states to make expenses with. Sort of charitable like. The man who said that

was a salesman for the company. Well, you gotta meet that clubhouse budget!"

Mrs. Steffens Passes

CHICAGO—Funeral services were held here December 4th for Mrs. Eugene C. Steffens, wife of the vice president and general sales manager of Permo, Inc. Mrs. Steffens had been in poor health for some time

Surviving, besides the husband, is a daughter, Jean.

Zuckerman Joins Kleiman

CHICAGO—Fredric R. Kleiman, Advertising, has appointed Norton H. Zuckerman as Production Manager. Zuckerman, just out of the Navy, was former advertising manager for Continental Products, and others.

The Kleiman agency handles advertising for Soundies.

"Don't you know what my raised hand means?"

The traffic cop beseeched her; "You bet I do," the maid replied, "You see, sir, I'm a teacher!"

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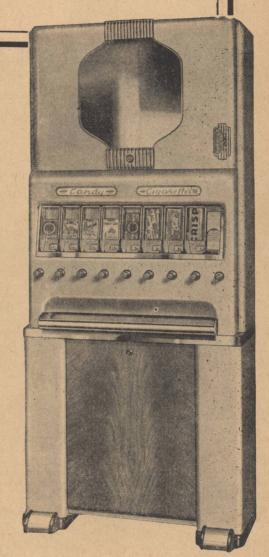
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Four Fabulous Swedes-Revert to Coin Machine Manufacture

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This story, one of many to be told in the months ahead about the work our various manufacturers were engaged in during the war months, concerns the four Pierson Brothers in Kansas City and their Vendo Co. The story of how the nickel-in-a-slot did a tremendous job for the war in Kansas City, looks like one of the more fantastic proofs of American inventive genius. Below, in part, we reproduce an article recently appearing in the St. Louis Globe Democrat which gives an interesting account of the Four Fabulous Swedes.)

The story receives around four fabulous

The story revolves around four fabulous Swedes, brothers, who owned a factory which turned out vending machines for soft drinks when the war started. They wound up with so many military contracts, 167 of them in one year, that they had to cut to just thinking out projects, turning them

over to other factories to do the work.

The Swedes are the Piersons—Elmer F.,
John T., Fred N. and Carl G.—big, happy, blue-eyed men, who have prompted one employee to say the company (it spilled over into five buildings through the war) should be called "four Swedes in a Sweat." Their inventiveness is carrying on into the

They started in '37 by manufacturing those vending machines into which you drop a nickel and get a cold soft drink. Their machines go all over the world. But the machine posed a problem because some people put slugs into them.

So, as the war started, the Pierson re-searchers had just found a "slug rejector"

sound it made. The researcher who worked out the device was a young man with no formal research education, but a tireless interest in the science of sound (supersonics). Now he's writing on supersonics for erudite journals and devising more gadgets for the Piersons.

The war broke and Elmer Pierson took a plane to Washington to ask what he could do. He learned that the High Command was worried because their current testing method for 20mm, shells was letting through a lot of cracked ones and imperfect

shells were killing gun crews.

The shells were being inspected by people who could merely look at them closely. The method took a long time-another

Pierson said, "I think we can lick that problem with supersonics." In 10 minutes he was surrounded by gold braid who begged him to hurry. He flew back to Kansas City, began hiring, and his researchers went to work. Soon they had a device which included an anvil onto which the shells were dropped.

If there were no faults, the shells gave off two tones—tones in the higher frequencies which cannot be heard by the human ear-and the device lit two lights. If the shell was cracked the lights failed to glow. The device was shipped to ordnance

plants. In one run of 300,000 20mm. shells, it picked out 26 faulty ones.

The Piersons' plant—it's called the Vendo Co.—got up to 1,600 employes at the peak, a comparatively small pay roll for what was turned out.

They made a large portion of the radio and radar antennae used by planes. One device, which went onto one-man life rafts, looks like a double butterfly, two feet across. It catches all radar impulses in its neighborhood and bounces them back to the sender, whether ship or plane. That starts a hunt, and as a result hundreds of men stranded on the sea were saved.

When the war ended the Piersons had gone much farther. They were turning out a gadget to be strapped to planes and lifeboats, which sent radar waves instead of just waiting for them.

When peace came, the Piersons were ready. On Aug. 12 they already had an assembly line in one plant to turn out metal kitchen stools. The stools were intended primarily to keep people on the pay roll while they reconverted the rest of their plants. Buyers wanted 600,000 of their stools, but they're stopping at 115,000, because they're interested chiefly in long-time steady production.

Now they're back to making vending machines. But this time they'll be bigger and better. One model which should be out within 12 months happened because Elmer Pierson visited the New York World's Fair and was shocked at the waste he sawempty soft-drink bottles lying all over the grounds. He decided he'd make a vending machine which kept the bottles.

It is now being tested. When you put a nickel or dime into it, you will see, through a glass door, a bottle move into position, a claw will uncap it and then it will pour the drink into a paper cup. A little glass door will slide open and you can reach in for your paper cup. The bottles won't be wasted.

The Piersons haven't advertised the machine yet, but they already have a letter from Egypt, of all places, asking for 100

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Trade Talk by PAUL W. BLACKFORD

At the CMI meeting in September, Ray Moloney of Bally, jumped up and made the interesting remark that this industry of 200 million dollars needs a high powered publicity staff and secretary and "the Industry should be able to afford an appropriation of between 25 to 50 thousand dollars for this purpose and I am willing to pay my share!"

Here is a subject that has been much discussed, in meetings and in the trade press, but nothing has ever come of it. Hardly a member of the business will deny that the Coin Machine Industry is a mystery to the average individual. It's a racket, a slot machine outfit, a shake down business, and half a hundred other names in the minds of the average citizen. Little do they know of the magnitude of the business, the calibre of the men associated with it, the magnificent contributions to all kinds of worthwhile charities, movements and civic affairs throughout the country, the real service that vending devices offer, and the thousand-fold other benefits this great Industry provides. But these people SHOULD KNOW. They should BE TOLD. And only a well planned and carefully executed program of public relations will do the trick.

It was not too many years ago when the cigar was associated in newspapers with characters such as Al Capone and his counterparts in novels, movies and radio. Today, the cigar is a respected symbol of culture and good taste, and this shift of public opinion can be traced to the work of the cigar industry in improving the type of association made with cigars in all channels of publicity.

Recently Harry W. McHose, director of the Cigar Institute, reported on the developments of cigar publicity through the use of news photo contests, movies, radio, magazines, and general news stories. He explained in detail the type of assistance which the Cigar Institute has given to press photographers in setting up a national association. He pointed out that this type of service to news photographers' associations has contributed to the success of the Cigar Institute's success with the Nation's press. The flood of newspaper pictures of G. I. Joe smoking cigars can be traced to the popularity of the news photo contests

among press photographers. McHose also pointed out that the increasing use of cigar scenes on the covers of magazines can be traced to the cigar consciousness of artists as a result of the work of news photographers.

McHose said that motion picture executives are eager to receive any information which would show the correct use of a cigar, and to receive suggestions where cigar scenes can enhance the value of a motion picture. He emphasized the fact that motion pictures with good cigar scenes are a definite asset to the industry and are priceless.

What the Cigar Institute has done, and is doing, can be done for the Coin Machine Industry and heaven knows there is more to talk about in our field than the best Corona-Corona. The public is curious about our business. They want to know about it, what makes it tick, how does

it operate, must one join a gang to operate. A well planned public relations campaign, adequately supported by all members of the Industry, could do tremendous good for all of us NOW . . . and for the years to come.

In last month's Review Jack Kelner, prominent member of the Industry and in charge of our Editorial Coverage in Chicago, wrote a timely article along the same lines as the above, and suggested the formation of a Coin Table in key cities, fashioned after the successful Tobacco Tables now active across the nation.

There can be no doubt that the formation of such a Table would be beneficial to all members of the Industry. It's a common practice now for small groups to meet for luncheons frequently and chew over matters of business. Why shouldn't the opportunity be extended to all—for the mutual benefit of all? Much good would result from such camaraderie. Congratulations, Jack, on your suggestion, and we're anxiously awaiting the opportunity to publish the report of the first city to found a Coin Table.

L. D. Kerwin Expires

AUSTIN, Tex.—Lee Daniel Kerwin, 55, Riverside Park Penny Arcade operator, died suddenly at his home here recently. Burial was at Austin Memorial Cemetery.

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Groetchen Cooker Has Factory Humming

(The following article by Phil Hanna appeared recently in the CHICAGO DAILY NEWS and relates the present activities of one of the pioneer concerns in the Coin Machine Industry.)

This is a story about one Chicago firm that is not only fully reconverted to peacetime manufacturing, but which has now more employees than during the war. But more important it is a firm which is stimulating business for itself and its suppliers and customers.

Mr. Richard Groetchen, a Chicago engineer and inventor, long toyed with the idea of a rotary cooker for meats. He believed meats could be cooked quicker and better, and he built a rotary machine for the purpose.

But before trying it out on the public Mr. Groetchen, three years ago, bought

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a restaurant on W. Madison St. Here was

the Groetchen proving ground.

He not only learned at his own expense that the machine would work but he learned enough about the restaurant business so that he would be able to sell his machine.

One man operating a Groetchen rotary cooker can turn out 2,500 steak, chop, fish or fowl orders in 12 hours.

The chef can increase the gas flame as the load of meat increases or decreases in the cooker. The gas and air are mixed and blown into the burners at ratios adjusted to the varying heat content of gas in different sections of the country.

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The cooking is thus done by reflected heat and at 800 degrees Fahrenheit.

The casseroles are put in through windows on one side and come out of a door on the far side in an endless conveyor. There is no carbon monoxide gas in the cooking chamber, no shrinkage of meat and no loss of juice.

The cooking tables are propelled by a one-sixth horsepower motor, the cost of electricity being about the same as for a 60-watt bulb. Gas consumption is 6 cents per burner per hour. The saving of grease, which accumulates in the casseroles and is reclaimed, is an important item.

It is a revolutionary means of saving time, labor, fat, food spoilage and waste. And it is another contribution to the new industries which are drawing the eyes of industrial America toward Chicago.

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Pierson researchers have also dreamed up a coin-changer which has caused a flood of mail from everything including ferry-boat companies to railroads. You put in quarters and dimes and out come nickels. The gadget has been tested for two years at the North American bomber plant here, and it's ready to go into production.

and it's ready to go into production.

The Piersons are likely to pile up orders higher than the war brought, but they're quite certain of getting the workers they need. They share the profits. First, they have a bonus system by which they pay out quarterly bonuses that amount, annually, to a month's salary for every worker who has been in the plant a year and, after the first year, mount higher.

Further, they have a trust fund in which they put amounts equaling a month's salary for first-year workers, and two months pay per year for all who have been with them longer. The employes can draw that money only after the seventh year and then only

That's because the four Piersons, although born here, have the Swedish belief that wage-earners should be prepared to pay for their children's education, and these piecemeal payments, out of the trust fund, can help.

can help.

There is one more cheering note at Vendo: Every employee gets his birthday off with pay. The Piersons think a man should be able to have fun that day.

"European women are very much like American women," says one writer. Which means he doesn't understand them either.



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Early Day Coin Machines Enlivened Barbary Coast

Take it from the old-timers of San Francisco's gayer days, coin-operated de-vices played an important part in the bygone but unforgotten era of the famed Barbary Coast!

Reminiscences of some of the lively old dogs who were the young blades of another day reveal many interesting sidelights in which pioneer coin machines had a leading role.

For instance, there is the first coin-operated lung-testing machine ever seen in San Francisco. It was a highly popular apparatus into which, for a nickel, a man might blow. The strength of his lungs was registered in pounds on a dial. This machine, operated by "Professor" Terry Shiner, the self-crowned "world's champion blower," served as an effective out-front ballyhoo for the celebrated Great Eastern Auction Mart.

Best known, of course, was the ancient automatic musical instrument which played alleged tunes whenever nickels, dimes and quarters were fed into the coin chute, In later years these were electrically operated. Income from these machines formed a considerable portion of the revenue for the famous "parlor houses" in which most of them were located. According to early accounts, the "take" of the music devices provided a graft fund for politicians under

whose protection the parlor houses were permitted to continue in operation.

Music was subjected to unofficial "licens-

ing" schemes. In 1911, for instance, the police forbade all music in parlor houses and went so far as to order the removal and destruction of all musical instruments. The interesting sequel to this order was a communication issued the following month to the effect that proprietors again might furnish music for the entertainment of their guests... provided that it came from a certain type of automatic harp. No such

instruments were known in the city.

The light dawned a short time later, however, when a salesman called to offer automatic harps for sale at \$750 each. On "recommendation" of certain politicians, the instruments were eagerly purchased; it mattered not that the price was four times their market value . . . thanks to the salesman's "exclusive" deal with the police.

The problem of slugging machines was greater than it is today. In fact, the practice of making and selling slugs developed into a commercial enterprise.

The story of how slugging brought an end to one venture that otherwise was a lucrative sideline is interesting. It seems that the management of a large "house" hit upon the idea of installing small windows in the doors of each of the 300 com-

partments. Each window was fitted with a shade controlled by a coin-operated mechanism on the outside. On insertion of a dime, the shade would fly up for a few seconds to permit the visitor to view the proceedings within. The feature became popular, indeed, but in a short time was abandoned as impractical because of the increasing number of slugs that got into the coin chutes. Hawkers stood outside on the street selling slugs at bargain prices.

Although the Barbary Coast is a thing of the past, in its day it was the proving ground for many types of coin machines.

Mrs. Berenson Passes

MINNEAPOLIS-Funeral services were held here November 18th for Mrs. Sarah Berenson, 76, mother of M. M. Berenson, operator of the Minnesota Machines Co. here. Also surviving is her husband, and four other sons.

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The Feasibility of Hiring Salesmen On Commissi

By W. E. SIMMONS

(In the weeks ahead operators, jobbers and distributors will be hiring new men for various sales jobs. Some will seek new locations, others will work on showroom floors, some will travel through a specified territory. In hiring, the problem of remuneration has always been a stumbling block in this business. This article by one who has headed successful sales organizations for years and has been able to ascertain the most desirable method of remuneration, will give you some concrete arguments on a "pay-as-worth" basis in hiring.) When a man engages in sales work, he should feel that he is facing forward with

should feel that he is facing forward with the type of confidence that is generated by looking facts squarely in the face.

Too often new salesmen are over conscious of the adventure phase of sales work, and therefore fail to meet the daily grind, hardships and disappointments of it in the right spirit.

Selling is the big game hunting department of business, but between the thrills of selling conquests, there's a call to be PATIENT and courageous in the face of disappointing results, POLITE when your selling overtures meet an insulting recep-AMIABLE in spite of injustices, and STEADY when a little success threatens become an unsteadying influence.

The training a new man received is apt to make him feel that the WAY of selling is more important than the amount of sales work he does. Beware of this viewsales work ne does. Dewate of this year, point. We issue no recipe for making sales easily, or for making an easy sales living. You have a valuable sales weapon in the sales manager's endeavor to pass on to you collective sales experience. like the sword in dueling, it will serve you only in just the measure that you back its service possibilities with aggressive footwork and intelligent head-work.

Put your faith in hard work. of sales aids, sales skill, and your selling

personality as ACCESSORIES TO INDUSTRIOUS ENDEAVOR. Feline, the Boston Merchandising wizard, rightly says that the extent of man's success in any line of undertaking is a matter of wanting that success enough. Determination gives a

What many firms are able to offer you in the way of a proposition that has merit and where other salesmen have made money, can be yours only by your determining to make it serve your ambition purposes, by serving it as though it were yours.

You Are Your Own Pace Maker

Men come to success by different routes and at varying paces. I have known men who started auspiciously, and who continue so, men who started with a meteoric burst speed, but who do a comet-like dive to oblivion within a short time, because the very fact of success coming so easy demoralizes them. Many men who start with a struggle that gave little indication of their being successful have come through big and steadily once they have gotten under

The Fairness of the Commission Plan of Payment

So often where a man undertakes to sell on a commission basis, after having previously been employed on a salary basis, both he and his family are apt to feel that he is gambling with his family's livelihood. The strangeness of not having a definite amount weekly to do with, is disconcerting to a man who has become used to being paid a salary and is an intimidating prospect to a wife or mother, who sees grocer's bills as certainties, and sales prospects as something less concrete.

But the fact is that sales workers who apply themselves to getting results almost invariably equal their former wages in commission earnings, within a few weeks after they start. After that it is simply a ques-tion of the margin by which the wage income will be gratifyingly eclipsed.

If a man is above the average in personality and in mental endowments, and is committed to unstintingly applying himself to getting ahead, selling, with its com-

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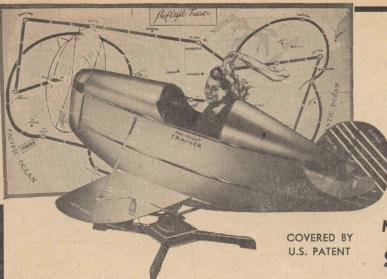
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Sales profession earnings are far above those obtaining in other professions, and in office and factory work. That well known fact, naturally attracts a great many aspirants to try their hand at selling. Yet those same men often will take exception to the commission payment system, contending that it compels them to shoulder all of the risk of their making a success. In fact, I recall one instance where a man who decided to associate himself with a certain corporation informed them that his wife refused to countenance his doing so because she was convinced that they had mesmerized him into working for them for nothing.

Now the very commission arrangement to which timid men and their wives take exception, is the instrument that makes it possible for manufacturers to pay the big money that successful salesmen earn. Paying salaries in sales work would involve paying out so much money to men who failed to make good, because with a salary guaranteed they would not be under the

compulsion of doing so, that a firm could not properly compensate those members of its sales staff who did do so.

Nothing can be more fair and equitable than a system of remuneration that automatically assures each salesman of exactly what he earns, regardless of whether it is considerably in excess of what other sales-

Any man who has the confidence to think himself above the average, any man who firmly believes that he is man enough to grapple with the world and earn for himself and his family, the type of income that commands good clothes, a house and a car, and everything that goes with being comfortably circumstanced, will welcome the opportunity that the commission system of remuneration opens up to him.

And to the wife, who commonly wants all those things even more than the husband does, my message is this-do your part by husbanding your resources and careful management, for the short period necessary to get on a comfortable income basis. Be liberal in encouragement and faith in your husband's ability to come through successfully, and the reward sure enough will be that you will come into

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While waiting patiently for new phonographs and new lines of other amusement graphs and new lines of other amusement machines, Texas operators continue to visit the Dallas coin machine market. Their visits are amply repaid in the excellent rebuilt and used equipment they find here and which is helping to tide them over until new equipment is available. Reuntil new equipment is available. Recently seen on coin machine Row were: W. O. McWhirter, Gainesville; Owan Nivins, Sherman; A. B. and M. T. Cornelius of Eastland and Abilene; Tom Clore, Sherman; Jake Moore, Amarillo; Jack Sprott, Temple; A. D. Harper, Stephenville; Homer Hightower of H & S Sales Company, Ft. Worth; J. W. Stewart, Longview; Charley Sage, Tyler; C. E. Brown, Texarkana; Donald Robertson, Lubbock; W. E. Thompson, Wichita Falls; Gene Goss, Corsicana and Jimmie Bounds of Mexia.

Leon Malcomesius, Jr., one of Dallas' old time operators has just recently been

released from the U.S. Infantry. Leon plans to take up the coin machine business where he left off three years ago, when he left to help win the war. Leon operates many of the Fair Park amusement spots.

Harry Drollinger, one of the oldest and best known coin machine men in Texas, is the new Southwestern Regional Manager for Homer Capehart's Packard Manufacturing Co. Harry has just returned from the Capehart factory at Indianapolis and he reports the Packard factory has some 17 different items already in production and many of them already moving to the coin machine trade.

to the coin machine trade.

Harry is pulling a real celebration this week end because of one of his first and largest orders. He has just closed a deal with Walbox Sales Co. to distribute Packard's products in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. The firm's first order was for more than one million dollars worth of phonographs and auxiliary merchandise. Their order for 1,500 phonographs is believed to be a record in the Southwest

for one order of phonographs from one

Marvin McLarty of the McLarty Music Co., Lubbock, Texas, was a recent Dallas visitor. McLarty reports all lines of business as thriving in the West Texas sector

and especially the coin machine industry.
B. H. Williams has returned to his former position as General Sales Manager for Commercial Music Co., Wurlitzer distributors.
B. H. completed a little over three years of service in Uncle Sam's navy and he brought Mrs. Williams and his new son and heir back to Dallas to live.

Travis Richardson of Longview, Texas, was buying music and other coin machine equipment in Dallas this week. George Prock, head of General Distrib-

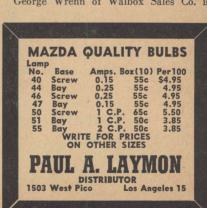
George Prock, head of General Distributing Co., returned to his Dallas office this week, after twenty months' service in the U. S. army. Without wasting a moment's time, George is already back in the amusement game. He announces that in addition to their present sales offices at Dallas, Houston and El Paso, the firm will soon open several other offices to better serve their trade area of Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Louisiana. George also states that in addition to the 110 employees now regularly engaged by his firm, there will be an additional 40 or 50 employees added to their permanent personnel between now and March 1946.

Walbox Sales Co. are undergoing another remodeling and enlargement of their three story building at Young and Browder Streets. Re-arrangement and revamping of their general offices and sales rooms ing of their general offices and sales rooms are being made in order to give more room for their new line of Packard phonographs which are expected to be arriving soon. Rebuilding and enlargement of their second floor will add more storage room and will enlarge their repair depart-

Raymond Williams, head of Commercial Raymond Williams, head of Commercial Music Co. has just returned from a business trip to Chicago where he attended a district meeting of Wurlitzer distributors. Raymond says that the new 1015 Wurlitzer is the real McCoy and that the three new Wurlitzer wall box models are the most striking designs the company has ever produced. has ever produced.

George Wrenn of Walbox Sales Co. is





on a flying trip to Chicago. We suspect that his return will bring an announce-ment of some new lines of merchandise to be distributed by his firm.

Frank W. Wood

Boston

Ed Ravreby, owner of Associated Amusements, Inc., is at liberty to announce that "we are now the factory distributors for the International Mutoscope Co. for all New England and are now taking orders for Photomatic Machines, chemical frames and supplies. There are also voice recorders from the same company." Some of these machines ought to be in at an early

date. Customers are taken in order.

I. Berman, naval technician, just returned after four years of service, has taken a position with Associated Amuse-

ments.

Ed Ravreby has been elected Worshipful Master of the Brotherhood Lodge, F. and A. M., Boston. He was in charge of the first big Masonic social function of the season at the Hotel Copley Plaza, which was attended by 700. With him were the Right Worshipful Master of the Fourth Massachusetts District and the First Boston District and as a guest the Right Worshipful Master of Arkansas. Ravreby is a 32nd Degree Mason, a Shriner and a member of Aleppo Temple. Charles A. di Sabatino, treasurer of the King Distributing Corp., says that new machines are still difficult to obtain. They have some Jennings and Mills machines, but they are snapped up as soon

they have some Jennings that chines, but they are snapped up as soon they arrive on the market. All types of revamps are snapped up as well. They have twelve revamps coming in, but they are all sold. They are still handling a complete line of equipment, including pins, arcade equipment, slots, consoles and music. di Sabatino looks for better things in the post war future, which is in the making.

In connection with the much wanted new equipment, it is stated in the trade that prices "ought to come down and give the operator a break." There is a protest against a manufacturer's charge of more than \$149.50 for a pin ball machine. Manufacturers are asking \$249.50 for a pin ball machine which could be obtained before the war for only \$79.50.

The Trimount Coin Machine Co. has a new machine, Stage Door Canteen, a

pin game, put out by Gottlieb.

David Bond, president of Trimount Coin Machine Co., has returned from a business trip to Chicago and will have an important announcement to make soon.

The Pioneer Distributing Co., Inc., automatic vending machine operators, etc., has been incorporated with 500 common shares. Jacob Breidt is treasurer.

C. Frederic Wellington

Houston

Gulf States Amusement Co., Inc., has bought the building it has occupied for several years and the adjoining two story brick business building for \$25,500.

More coinmen returned from the service included Robert Davenport, who served with the R.A.F.; C. O. (Red) Harrington, Marines; Bert Bruce, Navy; Billy Benton, Army; and Ted Mehavia, Army. Har-Army; and Ted Mehavia, Army. Harrington is back with his and his brothers own company, Harrington Amusement Co. Bruce is with the wholesale record department of Strauss Frank Co., and Davenport is with Houston Amusement Co.

Melvin J. Blum in the city for a supply

of records and such; and to make a worthy investment in the form of a subscription

to Coin Machine Review.

Harold Horton, well known in former years as Rock-Ola distributors, is now operating phonographs in the Tri-Cities

Horton makes his headquarters at Goose Creek.

Plans are in the making for a monthly get together social meeting for Houston Operators. The first meeting is planned for January and one each month thereafter through 1946. Some operators are hopeful of some sort of an operators association sociation.

Russell Merritt has left his job with an oil refinery and returned to the service department of Gulf States Amusement.

Jovial Bill Tinlin, owner of a major

operating firm at Beaumont, Texas, in the city on business. Bill expects 1946 to be a great year for operators. A Prosperous 1946 to all you Texas

operators!

John G. Wright Kansas City

Bids for 1,100 new parking meters to replace the nine-year-old meters now in use by the city, have been requested by the city purchasing agent. The exact number to be purchased will not be known until the survey of parking in the down-town district has been completed. The existing standards will be used. Mainteexisting standards will be used. Maintenance and repair costs for the meters now in use, installed in 1936, are excessive, and the devices are easily tampered with by petty thieves. Bidders will be required to furnish a standard production sample, which will be subjected to several operational and other tests by city engineers.

Now that censorship has been lifted on radar, it can be revealed that the Vendo radar, it can be revealed that Co. here in Kansas City produced the great bulk of corner reflectors made during the war for all of the American planes. The life-saving device was a mystery even to the 300 persons working on it, who knew only that it dealt with radar. At the peak production in October 1944 only two months after production begun, 2,000 sets were made in a day. This was cut back to 800 or 900 a day by VJ-Day when the contract was canceled. Altogether, Vendo produced 333,081 radar corner reflectors, or virtually enough for every life raft in every plane. There were two types, a small one for single-place life rafts, and a large one for multiplace rafts. Vendo's contract ran into millions of dollars, its largest war venture.

The radar corner reflector is packed into a tube-like holder. The operator raises a five-pointed wire contrivance as if he were raising an umbrella, and the amazing network of wires, resembling the framework of a box kite, in slight degree, is mounted on an oar handle, and is ready for work. A plane flying at 1,000 feet can

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pick up the radar beam from the life raft at ten miles, report the location of the raft, and the rescue is underway. The corner reflector is a geometrical design of open base triangles, into which radar beams bounce against a woven wire surface and are reflected on the return path to the radar sending instrument. It proved to be one of the greatest life-savers of the war, when it is realized that during the war peak more than 200 men were said to be adrift on the sea every minute of the

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day.
W. P. Bell, who owns the Radio Sales and Service Co., is featuring one-day service on any amplifier for coin machines. He has spent many years servicing coin machines, and was with Music Service Co. prior to going into business for himself

about a year ago.

Warren Doud who recently opened a Kansas City branch for the Telecoin Corp. now has fifty building installations of the dime-operated Bendix automatic washer, ready to be made, and the first machines are arriving. The Telecoin Corp. features the entire Bendix line of coin-operated laundry machines, and will handle such other coin machines as Bendix develops. The home office is located in New York City, and has been in business for eight years. Coin-operated Bendix machines are installed only in apartment buildings for twenty families or more; or in groups of apartment buildings, such as four six-apart-

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ment buildings, or two twelve-apartment buildings.

Chicago 47, III.

I talked with Bill Betz of St. Louis, who is a partner with Harry Silverburg in the W. B. Novelty Co. here, for a few minutes, and he promised some real news

in a week or two regarding the W. B. firm's plans for 1946.

L. P. Donohue, president of the Confection Service, Inc., reports the supply situation to be about the same, but he is happy about the return from army service two of his former employees, Ray Cale who is already on the job, and Everett Dasher who will return the first of the

year. Carl Hoelzel is making more room for his expanding business by increasing the size of his present building about 50%, the work to be completed in February. His firm, the United Amusement Co., distributes coin-operated phonographs and pin ball machines. O. E. Gamble, who served during the war with the Marines, returned to work for Hoelzel, December 3rd.

Analysis of reports submitted by the 660 largest businesses here showed they plan to increase present any all the state of plan to increase present pay roll totals 23.9 percent by next September, which would be 40.5 more jobs than in the same plants in the fall of 1940, and confidence in this report made by the Federal Reserve Bank was expressed by business and industrial leaders. It looks as if 1946 will continue the good business conditions of recent years, and there will be plenty of coins jingling in the pockets of those who play the automatic phonographs, pinball machines and all the other coinoperated devices. It should be a wonderful year for the coin machine trade in Kansas Der Thatcher

Fort Worth

Fort Worth operators are rounding out very successful year's business. With a very successful year's business. With December business considerably above the seasonal average, local operators say they will finish 1945 with a yearly volume of from 20 to 25 per cent above that of 1944. The outstanding revenue producer throughout the year, has been music machines and

marble tables. Collections for music operators have continued at a high level for the entire past twelve months.

In 1944, local operators thought the war time shortages of materials would put them out of business before the year was finished and the beginning of 1945 looked as if their 1944 predelictions would come true. However, ingenuity in reconverting older equipment into better music machines has been a big factor in helping Ft. Worth music men keep abreast of the amusement business and to provide phonographs that would deliver listenable music. Now the working of the "Magic Wand" is getting frayed and if new phonographs are not available soon, operators of local music routes are going to be short of equipment that is needed to serv-

ice their routes properly.

Vender route operators report an improvement in their business during the past two months, due primarily to more available merchandise supplies and the recent betterment in the man power situation. Several of the old time operators are coming back from the war theatres. These old time returnees are helping operators to extend their routes and to even

take on new customers.

Jack Maloney, Jr., has just returned from several months over seas service with Uncle Sam's armed forces.

Bennie McDonald, head of the Star Coin Machine Co., is back in civilian life

again. Bennie has just completed three years service with the U. S. Navy in the Pacific war theatre. He will resume his former coin machine business.

R. J. (Pat) Patterson, one of Ft. Worth's

R. J. (Pat) Patterson, one of Ft. Worth's old time operators has recently been released from the U. S. Air Corps. Pat has joined the forces of Clarence Cleer Music Co., with whom he was associated before entering the Air Corps.

The Clarence Cleer Music Co. are adding a new building to their present location on East Lancaster Avenue. The new building, when completed, will more than double their present warehouse office

than double their present warehouse, office and display space.

Frank W. Wood * * *

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Hugh Smith, owner and general manager of Smith Distributing, plans the establishment of Wurlitzer headquarters in Van-couver, B. C. and Winnipeg, Man. in the very near future. His office is currently located in Victoria, B. C.

Smith, actively preparing for his new distributing role, declared: "Our organiza-tion and facilities in Vancouver and Winnipeg will be geared for fast, efficient service. We know the needs and problems of operating music routes and we are going to maintain a close working relationship with every Wurlitzer Music Merchant."

The Vancouver office of Smith Distributing Company will be personally directed by Smith, while a manager will be selected to administer the activities of the Winnipeg

AMI Phono At Reception

CHICAGO—During the American Legion Convention in Chicago, an AMI Phonograph furnished musical entertainment for the reception held in honor of Governor Darden, of Virginia, in a private dining room of the Palmer House on Tuesday, November 20.

"What sort of after-dinner speaker is

Jones?"
"Oh, he starts by saying he didn't expect to be called on, and then he can't be called off!"



"The AMI music system is found in many unique and unusual places," states DeWitt unique and unusual places," states DeWitt (Doc) Eaton, General Sales Manager of AMI. "So we were not exactly surprised to read in the Saturday Evening Post that New Guinea's only juke box is an AMI machine in the WAC Recreation Hall. Among famous memorials equipped with the AMI music system is the Will possess. system is the Will Rogers Shrine of the Sun at Cheyenne Mountain, Colorado Springs,

New Operating Firms
DETROIT—Victor De Schryver is the head of the new Marquette Distributing Co., being organized here to operate automatic phonographs and engaged in other distributing activity. Corporation is being capitalized at \$50,000 and headquarters

capitalized at \$50,000 and headquarters have been set up on Beaubien Street.

Star Novelty Co., is the name of another new organization established to manufacture organization established to manufacture. ture phonographs and other products. Organizers include John B. De Haven, Harry Horwitz and E. M. Stine and offices are in the Michigan Bank Bldg.

45 G. Display Rooms

KANSAS CITY—Aireon's new streamline automatic phonograph will soon go
on display against the brand new, reone display against the brand new display decorated background of the new display rooms, offices and warehouse of the Arthur Hermann company, Albany, N. Y.
Arthur Hermann, president of the com-

pany, exclusive distributors in 43 counties in upper New York State for Aireon automatic phonographs, has advised R. R. Greenbaum, vice pres. of Aireon, of the \$45,000 purchase of a three-story brick building. Added to the purchase price, Hermann pointed out, is going \$10,000 in

renovation before occupancy.

The showroom, office, warehouse and service center will be used for the wholesale distribution of automatic phonographs and accessories of Aireon and its five sub-The corporation manufactures ground radio stations for airports, mobile radio stations for police and other emergency types; inductive space railway radio equipment; circuit breakers; Quartz crystals; speakers; and tubes. All in addition to its commercial automatic phonograph, a special feature of which is its electronic reproduction and remote control systems.

Greenbaum, just back in Kansas City after a quick trip to New York, advised that practically all the Aireon distributors are remodelling old spots of business, or purchasing new quarters and generally sprucing up in anticipation of first show-ings of the new Aireon automatic phono-

graph.
"We are certainly getting whole-hearted and all-out cooperation from our topnotch bunch of distributors", Rudy said. "They've seen the advance showings on this machine and they are confident in the knowledge of what they are going to have to offer the trade. They know it's worth fixing up for.

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Music Rentals Provide Easy Extra Coin At Little Expense

By H. ADAMS EVERITT (Based on an interview with a Detroit, Mich., Operator)

My mouth dropped open in surprise as My mouth dropped open in surprise as I listened to him speaking over the phone. He said, "You can have Guy Lombardo, Benny Goodman, Rudy Vallee, Duke Ellington, and any other first class band that you want. It'll cost you \$7.50.

"Yeah, any numbers you want will be

okay.
"That's right, you can have their music all night long if you want to dance that

"I'll put you down for Thursday night,"

he said, and hung up the phone.
I couldn't contain myself longer.

"Since when did you start booking engagements for high class orchestras?" I asked. "The last time I saw you, which was a week ago, you were a coin machine operator.'

"I'm still an operator," he said. "Oh, I see, a joke?" I inquired.

"No, operating is my business and that

phone conversation was strictly business, he said, adding, "I'm taking an extra divi-

So, I tied into him and this is the story

managed to leech out.

This operator, who owns among other coin-controlled machines, about a hundred music boxes, told me he is making from \$25 to \$50 a week, simply by renting phonographs to clubs and other social groups who want a little dancing with their parties and meetings.

He says that for the past several years he has rented an occasional machine, but never seriously considered that the revenue from this source could amount to much. He said it was just the same to him as finding a dollar bill that he didn't know he had in the pocket of an old pair of

About ten months ago he had a week in which he rented a phonograph almost every day. It was then that he began to realize that there might be something to this side-line of the game. It was then he got the inspiration which during the past ten months pulled \$2500 side-line dollars, extra dividend dollars, from music operation into the till of his cash register.

He took a roundabout way of explaining that inspiration to me. First, he said, he considered the popularity of records by top-notch bands over radio music. Taverns and other small spots which can't afford orchestras sometimes have both radios and music boxes, he noticed. Places such as these had proved to him that dancers pre-

phonographs.

Then there was the matter of thousands of small gatherings in other places . basements and recreational centers of churches, club rooms, private homes, employees' quarters in larger industrial buildings, hotel dining room parties, building lobbies used for meetings and celebrations. In other words, he learned that human beings are not losing their gregarious instinct, but are giving in to it more all the time. The growth of cities and the "away from the farm" movement proves

He knew that people want to get together, to dance, sing, laugh, and follow the well-publicized "pursuit of happiness". In a few words, he was thoroughly convinced that the demand for his service and product was there. Now then . . . and product was there. Now then . . . what stood in the way? What is the sales

resistance?

As usual, the answer to this one is

simple, COST.

Not that "paying the fiddler" is the only reason, but it is the most important. Radio has educated the vast majority of Americans to good music. And this isn't a reference to opera, or other high-hat symphony type stuff. Good music, in this instance, is that music which most people like most to hear. It is the most people like most to hear. It is the music which they understand and feel, the music which makes them want to dance. It has and does go by numerous names, the most important today being "Swing" and "Mod-

In answer to this demand for music for dancing, thousands of small orchestras have sprung up all over the country in the past few years. A few of these have spread their popularity nationwide. This popularity achieved by the top-notchers came about because their organization contained arrangers, musicians, and leaders whose style struck the public fancy.

It is to the music of these top-notchers that the vast majority of modern Americans like to dance. They will pay their nickels and dimes to dance to home-talent orchestras, but just let one of the big-name groups come to town and watch them dig down into the old sock for folding money.

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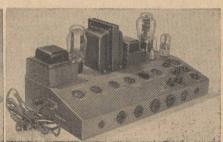
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Aireon Consolidates Plants for Huge Phono. Manufacturing Program

The Aireon Manufacturing Co. has announced that it will centralize in Kansas City its program of meeting its 27-million dollar backlog of electronic products. The company, originally a Pacific coast organization, known as Aircraft Accessories Corp., has now disposed of the last of its Los Angeles manufacturing holdings through the sale of its Burbank plant, and the sale of all its Pacific coast hydraulic products. It will retain, however, a recently purchased plant at Los Gatos, Calif., and will maintain sales offices in Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Further consolidation has been effected in the sale of its last two wartime plants in Kansas City, and the removal of the organization to the Kansas City, Kansas food terminal buildings at the south end of the Fairfax industrial district, a move that is expected to be completed during

Arthur E. Welch, vice-president and treasurer, has stated that Aireon is converting its fixed assets in liquid assets, especially those acquired during wartime for production ordered by the Government, and that is the chief reason for consolidation of its properties into one base in Kansas City. The sale of the No. 1 and No. 3 plants in the Fairfax district brought \$150,000 and \$87,750, respectively, and while the amount received for the Burbank plant has not been announced, it is understood to be \$500,000. As a result, Aireon

will start the New Year with a working capital of around four million dollars.

Aireon will continue to operate the Midco Tool and Supply Co., a subsidiary, located in Oklahoma City, and will double the facilities for the manufacture of field the facilities for the manufacture of field equipment.

The corporation's 1946 production will be principally coin-operated phonographs, rail-road radio, and other forms of radio com-

munications equipment.

Robert Adams, formerly works manager at Aireon's Kansas City plant is now general manager of the Chicago Oxford-Tartak Radio Corp., purchased in September by Aireon. Extensive improvements have been made in the factory and offices, and addimade in the factory and offices, and additional assembly lines have been installed, as well as additional punch presses placed in the machine shop. Madison Jones, chief engineer, is developing speakers for the new Aireon automatic phonograph. Back orders for speakers exceed 1,000,000, while speakers in production average nearly 4,000

Deaton Heads Drive

CONNERSVILLE, Ind.—Paul Deaton, head of Western Sales Corp., dealers in automatic phonographs, has been appointed State treasurer of the Indiana Red Cross Camp and Hospital Council. Deaton has aided the work during the war years and the current effort is to provide Christmas gifts for Veterans' Hospitals.

Seeburg Men East
LOS ANGELES—A trek of Seeburg EOS ANGELES—A trek of Seeburg executives, distributors and service engineers, left the Coast the second week in December for the big meeting in Chicago on December 18th when Seeburg was scheduled to unveil its new 1946 models and acquaint its distributors with prices and practices regarding the new line.

J. P. Seeburg, head of the organization, left his home here on the 11th. Dan Donohue, Western factory representative, left on the 10th. Jean and Dolores Minleft on the 10th. Jean and Dolores Minthorne, distributors for Southern California, Arizona and Nevada, left on the Super Chief on the 14th and expected to return on the 24th. Other members of the Minthorne organization making the trip East included Justin Harvey, Sales Manager; Harold Chaney, Territory Sales; and Jack Matot, Service Manager.

Eaton Appoints Two
CHICAGO—DeWitt (Doc) Eaton, General Sales Manager of AMI, announces that Paul Bleck, who has been Service Manager for AMI for the past of the years, will have complete charge of the Service Department and service operations covering the new AMI phonograph.

Forest Teeter, pioneer phonograph and parts man who was with the Rudolph Wurlitzer concern for ten years, has been appointed Parts Manager for AMI.

Another prominent music executive at AMI is John Swisher, who manages the Hostess Division.

"Cpl. Dink got his false teeth smashed trying to play tennis yesterday."
"Well, that's one way of losing a set."

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It Pays To Follow The Leader—SOUNDIES.





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MUSIC RENTALS (Continued from Page 28)

Well . . . my friend, the music operator, thought about these things. He watched persons who wouldn't spent fifty cents for an evening of dancing at a local talent shindig shell out several dollars in nickels and quarters in the length of an evening to dance to the records of big-name bands. Suddenly he realized that the dancers had been educated to and wanted the best in music and were willing to pay for it no matter what its form.

My operator friend also realized that a vast number of Americans are, for religious and other reasons, opposed to liquor and its environment, but are rabid dance

he said to himself, "I'll give them the kind of music they want, where they want it, and at a price they will be

willing to pay."

First he looked back through his old books and listed off the names of organi-

zations that had rented music boxes from him in the past. He card-indexed their names with all available information, including such items as names of officers, occasion for renting machine, meeting place, and type of music preferred.

This index started out with fifty cards and in ten months has grown to almost five hundred. Many of the cards are the result of leads obtained through the society columns of his local newspapers. Club, as well as fraternal and other social organization news, practically gave him a directory to the location of his customers. He also has a little stock question which he uses in calling members of these groups. It is, "Do you know of anyone else who might want to rent one of these machines?"

And he didn't let his index stop there. He inserted classified advertisements in the personal columns of his local news-He worded his message simply papers. and to the point, stressing such items as low cost, volume control, diversity and selectivity of program, guaranteed service, and easy adaptability. For bait in these ads he used such names as Lombardo, Goodman, Crosby, and others.

He could have stopped there and a good job would have been done. All that was necessary was to follow these cards regularly with calls or mailing pieces to keep his service alive in the minds of these customers. It was the simplest thing in the world to call them once a month and say, "I've just got in a batch of new records and I thought you'd like to know. I have so-and-so-and-so . . . and if your club wants a preview of the coming season's numbers, I'll send over a program of them any night you name.'

In fact, this is just what his office girl does say when she calls the names in the index at regular periods. Which brings up the fact that the prospect file is not laid out along alphabetic lines, but by the next contact date. When a group books a machine for a certain night the card is removed from the "Call File" and placed in the "Engaged File" which automatically arranges for delivery of the machine.

But not to get ahead of the story, this operator had started a very good job and he meant to carry it through. He knew that there were groups of older persons who did not particularly care for dancing, but who would be good prospects because they had children who did like dancing, or needed means to raise money for their charities and other social work.

To this group he addressed a different sales talk. He showed them how they could take his music to any environment that pleased them. Often this environment,

(See MUSIC RENTALS, Page 34)

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FOR JANUARY



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4 Seeburg Music Selector, 5¢. 19.50

3 Wurlitzer #310, 30-Wire, 5¢. 22.50

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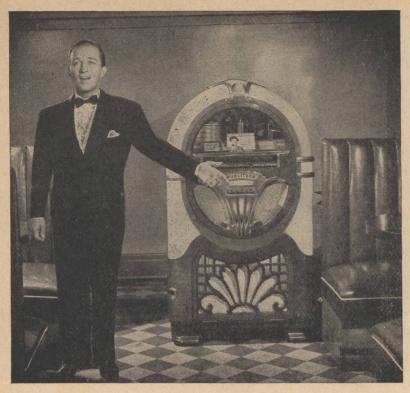
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Crosby thanks Music Operators for Co-operation

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FOR JANUARY Phonos Aid Kenny Drive

NORTH TONAWANDA — Some time ago the paths of Bing Crosby and Mike Hammergren, Wurlitzer General Sales Manager, crossed. Bing's mind was on his duties as National Chairman of the Sister Kenny Foundation for Infantile Paralysis— Mike's on Wurlitzer Phonographs. Somewhere along in the conversation, something sparked. Why couldn't Wurlitzer's coast-to-coast network of phonographs be used as a vehicle to further the Sister Kenny

"No reason under the sun why they couldn't," opined Mike, "I know Wurlitzer Music Merchants have hearts as big as all

outdoors. They'll cooperate!"

Things began to happen. Wurlitzer appealed to its Music Merchants to put stickers on the record changer window of every Wurlitzer Phonograph telling the public that, between November 22nd and December 8th, ten percent of the money that instrument took in would go to the Sister Kenny Fund.

Thousands of Music Merchants hopped to it and the results, while not yet tabulated, will give Bing something to croon about and a lot of polio-stricken youngsters a chance for recovery they might otherwise never have had.

K. C. Operator Adds **Appliance Business**

KANSAS CITY-It isn't unusual for a merchant in other lines to go into the coin machine field—but Harry J. Brown, head of Brown Music Co. has reversed the process and will operate one of Kansas City's most modern appliance stores along

with his string of phonographs.

Brown Music Co., in the Kansas half of the city, has covered the complete coin machine line in various phases for many years, specializing in phonograph locations, rentals, and service. Brown pioneered some of the innovations now standard in phonograph operator circles, including rush-order service trucks which are workshops on wheels, better location deals with tavern owners and many others. Now he's applying some of the same ingenuity to merchandising major electric appliances.

These will be sold from a recently com-pleted store retaining the Brown Music Co. title. Along with his phonograph distributing business, the store will carry phonograph records on the first floor, plus a credit office, sideline coin machine display and comfortable furniture.

Upstairs, the second floor has been divided into bays for refrigerators, ranges, washing machines, automatic home laundries, ironers, radios and similar large appliances. Everything will be shown on an "active display" policy—stoves lighted and refrigerators running. Pastel blue walls, raised display stands and attractive individual setups make this an eye-appeal-

ing appliance showroom.

Downstairs the store is taking orders for new appliances, "registering" priorities in turn. Phonograph and pin ball operator friends will account for a large part of the first six month's stocks, as Brown's coin-machine associates hastened to get their names on the book.

Appliance promotion has been a natural —since in setting up a complete, modern service department Brown will utilize the same tools and personnel who formerly maintained phonographs and electrical equipment. Men who once thus repaired phonograph turntable motors will now also be working on refrigerator compressors, washing machine gears, and other equip-

The same salespeople likewise will sell phonographs, coin machines and appli-Veteran record salesmen will have ances. Veteran record salesmen will have no difficulty shifting to radios, and it will be easy to jump from there to refriger-ators and washing machines. Thus except for one factor, appliance merchandising and phonograph distribution will be tightly merged. The exception is advertising. "We'll sponsor spot radio announcements and regular newspaper ads on appliances separately from our phonograph promotion," Brown said.

Yeggs Trim Bush

PORTLAND — Earl Bush, prominent operator of Coos Bay, is \$40,000 poorer as the result of one of the largest cash loots in Portland police annals.

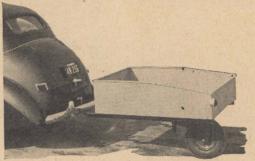
Carrying a 175-pound safe from a secret biding place in the base of D.

hiding place in the home of Dr. Ruth Barnett, burglars got away with fifty thousand dollars-forty of which was the property of Bush.

The small safe, purchased only a month ago and believed safely hidden behind a secret closet door, was carried away with its contents of neatly wrapped and bundled bills—ranging from \$5 to \$100 denominations.

Bush also owns an eastern Oregon ranch and was away from Portland at the time of the burglary.

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An authoritative chart showing the popular nu-sical favorites and com-piled from information gathered in the principal key cities and wired to us at press time.

DECEMBER, 1945 On Phonographs-

1. Chickery Chick
Sammy Kaye—Victor
George Olsen—Majestic
Gene Krupa—Columbia
2. It's Been A Long, Long Time
Bing Crosby—Decca
Harry James—Columbia
Charlie Spivak—Victor
3. Waitin' For the Train to Come In
Peggy Lee—Capitol
Harry James—Columbia
4. I Can't Begin to Tell You
Crosby-Cavallaro—Decca
Andy Russell—Capitol
5. White Christmas
Bing Crosby—Decca
Frank Sinatra—Columbia
6. I'll Buy That Dream
Haymes. Forrest—Decca
Harry James—Columbia
7. Till the End of Time
Perry Como—Victor
Les Brown—Columbia
8. Dig You Later (Hubba-Hubba-Hubba)
Perry Como—Victor
Jess Brown—Victor
Jess Brown—Victor
Margaret Whiting—Capitol
10. Symphony
Freddie Martin—Victor

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On Radio-

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Carlo—
Chickery Chick
It's Been A Long, Long Time
Waiting for the Train to Come In
I Can't Begin to Tell You
Symphony
It Might As Well Be Spring
Dig You Later (Hubba-Hubba-Hubba)
Till the End of Time
I'll Buy That Dream
White Christmas

Best Selling Sheet Music-

1. It Might As Well Be Spring
2. It's Been a Long, Long Time
3. Chickery Chick
4. I'll Buy That Dream
5. I Can't Begin To Tell You
6. Waitin' For the Train to Come In
7. Along the Navajo Trail
8. Till the End of Time
9. That's For Me
10. White Christmas

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Best Selling Records—

1. Chickery Chick (Sammy Kaye)
Victor 20-1726

2. It's Been A Long, Long Time (Bing Crosby) Decca 18708

3. I Can't Begin To Tell You (Bing Crosby) Decca 23457

4. Waitin' For the Train to Come In (Peggy Lee) Capitol 218

5. Symphony (Freddie Martin)
Victor 20-1747

6. It Might As Well Be Spring (Margaret Whiting) Capitol 214

7. Dig You Later (Perry Como)
Victor 20-1750

8. White Christmas (Bing Crosby)
Decca 18429

9. Tampico (Stan Kenton)
Capitol 202

10. Doctor, Lawyer, Indian Chief (Betty Hutton) Capitol 220

On Wired Music— 1. Chickery Chick 2. Symphony 3. It's Been A Long, Long Time 4. Waitin' For the Train to Come In 5. Till the End of Time 6. It Might As Well Be Spring 7. I'll Buy That Dream

White Christmas I Can't Begin to Tell You Dig You Later (Hubba-Hubba-Hubba)

Sepia Hit Parade-

Top tunes in colored spots supplied at press time by Otis Rene, of Excelsior Records:

1. B-Boba-Luba (Helen Humes)—Philo
2. Jimmy's Round the Clock Blues (Jimmy Rushing)—Excelsior
3. 1 Got A Right to Cry (Joe Liggins)—Exclusive
4. Come to Baby, Do (King Cole Trio)—Capitol
5. My Baby's Business (Jimmy Rushing) Excelsior
6. The Honeydripper (Joe Liggins)—Exclusive
7. Effie's Blues (Effie Smith)
8. I'm Tired (Pearl Bailey)—Columbia
9. That's the Wrong Gal, Brother (Flennoy Trio)—Excelsior
10. He May Be Your Man (Helen Humes)—Philo
11. Somebody's Changed the Lock on My Door (Wynonie Harris)—Philo
12. Jimmy's Blues (Count Basie)—Columbia

Western Hit Parade—

Tunes most requested by the listeners to the aly Western Hit Parade on radio:

1. Don't Live A Lie (Gene Autry)

2. Silver Dew on the Blue Grass Tonight (Bob Wills)

3. Make Room In Your Heart For a Friend Wylie Walker and Gene Sullivan)

4. I Think I'll Go Home and Cry (Roy Acuff)

5. White Cross On Okinawa (Bob Wills)

6. Christmas Carols by the Old Corral (Tex Ritter)

7. Jealous Lady (Curley Williams)

8. You Will Have to Pay (Tex Ritter)

9. I Want to Be Sure (Gene Autry)

10. Sioux City Sue (Dick Thomas)

Navarro Adds Aireon

HOLLYWOOD - Navarro Music Co., owned and operated by Frank Navarro, has taken on the distribution of the new Aireon phonographs for the Republic of Mexico.

Navarro attended the Aireon showing re-

cently in Kansas City, and signed a fran-chise accompanied by a large order for instruments. Transaction was consummated through W. E. Simmons, Western Sales Manager for Aireon.

Navarro is now in Mexico City readying his showrooms for the initial showing of

the new instruments.

New Service Innovation

LOS ANGELES-Dee's Service Shop has added a new service for music oper-ators. A portion of the Shop has been fitted up with a turntable and each week's new releases on all the major phonograph labels are neatly stacked and a bulletin board listing of the releases. Operators are invited to enjoy the convenience, play records to their heart's content, and asrecords to their near's content, and assemble their record orders without any rush or fuss. Record suppliers are cooperating and supplying their new releases each week.

Idea caught on immediately and more and more operators are using Dee's latest





LETTER LONDON

LONDON-Operator, jobber and distributor are eagerly looking forward to new machines from the States and from the limited number of Suppliers in the United Kingdom. It's been a long, long time since new equipment was in evidence.

At the last meeting of the committee of the British Automatic Machine Operators' Society a nice attendance was in

evidence and a very full agenda. Outstanding matters were the mandate regarding Purchase Tax given to the Society at the open meeting of October 10, and the desire of coin-operated machine manufacturers for an early revival of the Amusement Trades Exhibition. A large number of suitable candidates were approved for membership. The "Peacock" hostelry at Islington numbers among its regular midday customers, one who has a history of coin machine making and operating on his own. He is William Hooper, though it must be only one in a million who calls him anything but "Bill." Bill frequently corresponds with the editor of America's Coin Machine Review, who in a recent letter to the patriarch of Pentonville Road (not forgetting the "Peacock") expressed a hope that English coin machine men were in for a terrific revival in the years

Alfred Crompton, operating the Crompton Workshop in the basement of S. Harvey's Amusement Supply, has designed a juke box, which after a trial spell in the Victoria Arcade, has been sold. When demonstrated, its 24 record load comprised 12-inch classicals, these being to the taste of the purchaser who is installing it in a class spot. Juke works with a three-penny slot and is in a class on its own for tone and volume. The button selector is electrical in operation.

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PALABRAS DE MUJER—Bolero CUANDO SE QUIERE MUCHO—Bolero TONA LA NEGRA Orquesta de Absalon Perez	LA PANCHITA—Cancion LA VALENTINA—Cancion MANUELITA ARRIOLA Con Mariachi			
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2203	□ 2239			
YO TE JURO POR DIOS—Cancion UNA NOCHE SERENA Y OBSCURA—Cancion MARTIN Y MALENA Con Mariachi	HUMO EN LOS OJOS—Bolero ALMA LIBRE—Bolero MARIO ALBERTO RODRIGUEZ Orquesta de Noe Fajardo			
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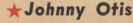
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he says, is the basement of a church or local recreational center. In this way, he pointed out, they could supervise the dancing of the younger folks, who are going to dance anyway, and might as well do it under conditions acceptable to them.

He also showed them how, because of the low cost of the music, they could charge a nominal fee for dancing and have a suitable profit for use in their charities and other social endeavors. profit, he says, reaches these ends which otherwise would never receive a penny of it.

And don't think this sales talk didn't work! Mothers' clubs and educational supervisory groups, he says, are numbered today among his most consistent customers.

Now we come to the brass tacks of this music side-line.

This particular operator charges \$7.50 per night for a sixteen record machine, \$9 per night for a twenty record instrument, and \$10 for twenty-four records. He delivers and picks up and has never lost or had a machine stolen. He has made an additional charge several times when his machines have met with more than usual wear. As much as possible he keeps to requested programs and finds that most groups leave the choice of program pretty much up to him with the exception of a few favored numbers.

He collects rental often in advance, but

in cases of established credit mails out statements and has not suffered a loss to date. He is as careful of the appearance of machines rented as those he keeps on choice locations. He sometimes puts out machines on the "pay as they use" basis, but in such cases demands his flat rate and returns all over that amount to the group sponsoring the event.

He advises strongly against gift or donation usage, using in his refusal a polite explanation to the effect that most of the renters have just cause to ask such favors and that if one is granted, others have every reason to believe that the same concession should be made to them. He takes very little time away from his regular business for the development of this phase, devoting only odd moments and taking up his office slack with the calls. Through his mechanized file system he is often able to forget the whole matter for days at a time, and remember it again only when he finds the figures in black ink in his monthly ledger.

So . . . music has and is paying him an extra dividend. And, as he says, extra dividends are rather a rarity these or any other days.

And, if you're still interested in his advice, any other music operator can do the same.

Pioneer Coinman Passes

CLEVELAND—Robert E. Wagner, veteran Cleveland coin machine and Arcade

operator, passed away here recently.

One of the real old-timers in the business, Wagner entered the coin operated field with a nickel player piano and formed the Wagner Automatic Piano Co., Akron, Ohio, later to build a piano of his own design. Piano had ready acceptance and was widely used in amusement spots at the time.

During a half century in the business Wagner operated in New Castle, Pa., Cleveland, Akron and other principal cities of the Midwest.

He is survived by his widow, Pearl, a daughter, Pearl June, and several grandchildren.

A lot of men are hustlers five minutes before quitting time.



• The smart distributor and operator pay little attention to gossip which usually starts with a whisper and ends in a roaring false alarm. Play your hunches and you'll seldom go wrong, and play them when you first have the hunch. Remember, good hunches and good eggs soon spoil unless hatched.

The salesman who will be most unsuccessful in the new day of selling, is the play boy "kid". He's a fast talker, just a breeze in the trees, and not half as much interested in business as in monkey business. On his way out (without an order ness. On his way out (without an order or an installation order for new equipment) he'll give you this "well, old pal, my friend, glad to have seen you, you have a beautiful city here and all its beautiful gals." Then in (lowered voice), "By the way, you look like a real guy, maybe you could tell me where I could find a little charming company for tonight, huh, pal? A bite to eat, a little drink, a little dance, you know what I mean huh pal?

you know what I mean, huh, pal?

Then, too, along will come the salesman "story teller type," . . . the "have you heard this one" and even though you've heard it and try to say so, you are doomed to hear it again if it kills you. I like a good story as well as anyone, but not the old chestnuts this type of salesman forces on us

The best plan for success is to get out on your own. To be dependent on others is usually a continual disappointment, and your best work will be performed by perseverance. Lost time is never found again, so make hay today.

Frank Wixcel Dies

INDIANAPOLIS - Frank Wixcel, 49. distributor of automatic phonographs in Indiana and parts of Kentucky and Illi-

nois, passed away at the Methodist hospital on November 25th.

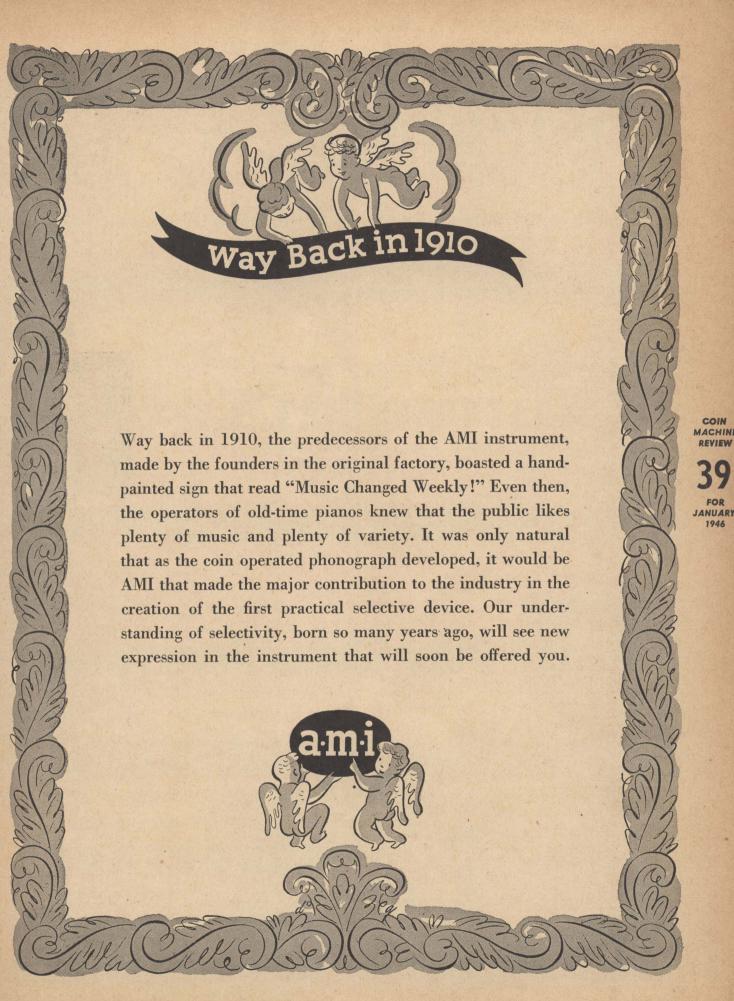
A native of Council Bluffs, Wixcel had been a local resident for the past seven years. He is survived by his widow and

mother.

younger ones—forever wanting something that isn't good for them.







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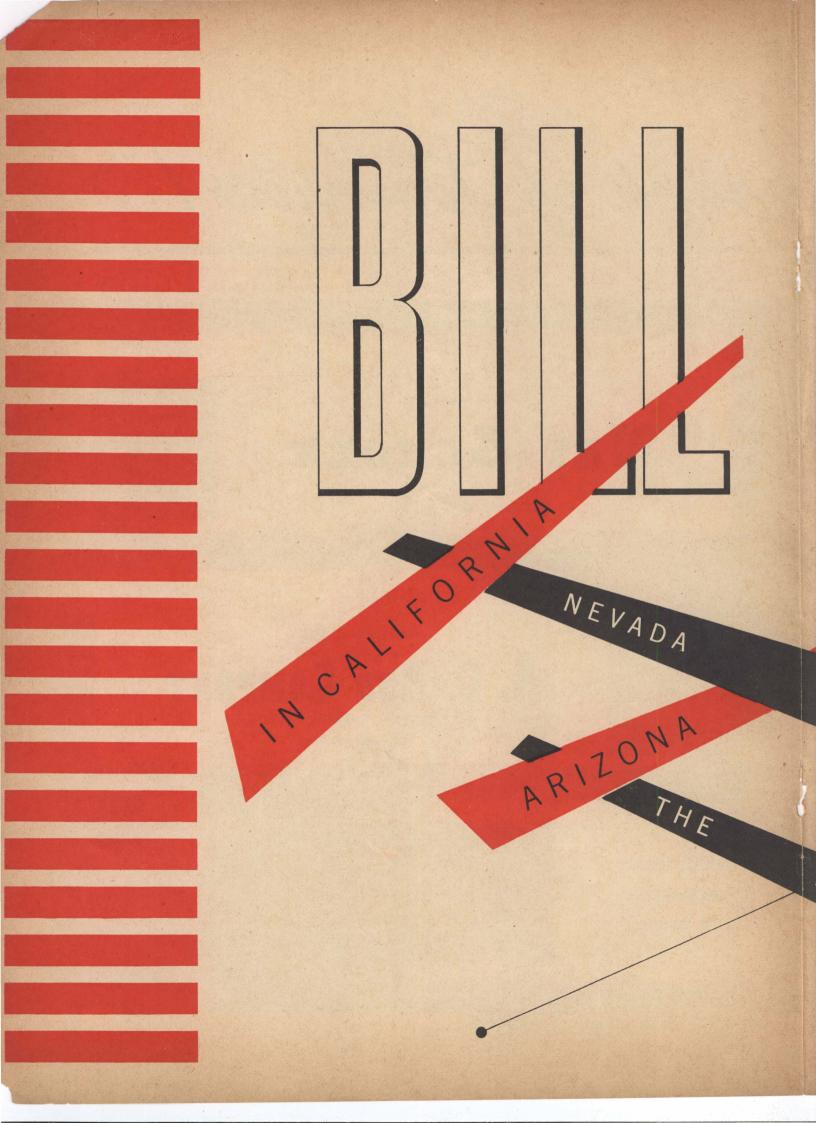




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KANSAS CITY—Following its highly successful movie, "Railroading by Radio," Aireon has signed with producers Morey and Sutherland of Hollywood for another production. It is to be a sound-color movie to demonstrate the corporation's

new automatic phonograph.

Specially highlighted will be the electronic and remote control features of the new phonograph, along with demonstra-tions of tone, coloring and a general back-

mike Amstoy has been sent to Aireon by the studio, to write "on the spot" script and get correct engineering data and background for the film. Release should be ready shortly after the first of the year when prints will be made available to Aireon distributors throughout the country.

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Eaton Venison Dinner

CHICAGO-Those AMI distributors who happened to be in Chicago on Wednesday, Nov. 28, were invited to be guests at a venison dinner staged by DeWitt (Doc) Eaton, General Sales Manager of AMI. Among those at the party were host Doc Eaton, James Mangan, Mangan & Eckland; Bill Wolf, California Amusement Co., Los Angeles; Barney Sugarman, Runyon Sales Co., Newark, N. J.; Harry Brown and Dave Yaras, American Amusement Co., Chicago; Paul Bleck, Service Manager for AMI, Forest Teeter, Parts Manager, AMI, and John Swisher, manager of the AMI Hostess division. happened to be in Chicago on Wednesday,

Aireon Men Active

LOS ANGELES-Aireon men in the Western States have been busy the past month. M. W. McBroom, of Phoenix Distributing Co., will soon move into his new building in Phoenix to distribute Aireon phonographs in Arizona and New Mexico.

Clayton Ballard, Pacific Northwest District Manager, has completely covered his district and closed all of the territory with distributor assignments. Ed Wisler, District Manager for Arizona, New Mexico and Northwest Texas, is planning on moving to Phoenix the day a home is available.

Frank Navarro, distributor in Mexico, D. F., will return from Mexico City to spend the holidays in Los Angeles. J. P. Blackwell, Blackwell Dist. Co., distributors in the Rocky Mountains, is wintering at his home in Louisiana but plans to be head at his Degree headquarters after. be back at his Denver headquarters after the first of the year to help pass out the new phonos.
C. D. Kemp, District Manager in the

Rocky Mountain district, attended a wedding last month in which he was the bridegroom. Mr. and Mrs. Kemp will make

their home in Denver.

Cronen Appointed S. M.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Southern Automatic Music Co. has announced the appointment of Dan J. Cronen as sales manager as the first move in an expansion of their sales organization.

Cronen will be in direct touch with the firm's offices in Louisville, Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Nashville. New offices will be opened in Evansville and Fort Wayne, Chattanooga; Dayton, Ohio and

Lexington, Ky.

Cronen has been an active sales executive for a number of years and intends to develop a solid association between Southern Automatic Music employees and

music operators.

Distrib Readies Showrooms

CHICAGO—DeWitt (Doc) Eaton has heard from his AMI northern Ohio distributor, Gary Weber, that E. & W. Distributing Co.'s new display rooms will be ready soon. They are said to be the most modern and distinctive in the terri-

E. & W. Distributing has been in business exclusively with AMI for seventeen years. During that time the firm has

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Gary Weber, who heads the concern, is a member of the State Board of the Phonograph Operators of Ohio. He is also a member of the Executive Board of the Cleveland Chapter.

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Platter Plant Burns

HOLLYWOOD - Swiftly-moving flames, following an explosion, on December 14th caused damage estimated at \$50,000 at the Charles Eckart Co., phonograph record processing plant catering to a number of independent record producers.

Five fire companies answered the alarm and fought the stubborn blaze, which fol-lowed an explosion occurring in the rear of the one-story brick building where there were 71 vats containing sulfuric acid and benzine. An employe polishing rec-ords nearby turned on an electric switch and a spark ignited the benzine fumes.

Estimated loss did not include the losses suffered by plattermakers who had masters and stampers in the plant.

N.W. Aireon Men Meet

SPOKANE — December 13th and 14th were important days for the Northwest Aireon distributors. In attendance at a meeting at the famous Davenport hotel were Clayton Ballard, Aireon district manager, Wally Solomon and Budge Wright of Western Distributors of Seattle and Portland, Bill Olney of Missoula, and Ed Perry of Interstate Novelty in Spokane. Meeting was called for the purpose of laying plans for a concertive and friendly

laying plans for a cooperative and friendly relationship in the sale of Aireon phonographs in the northwest.

McBroom Builds in Phoenix

PHOENIX—Ground was broken here in November for a new building to house the Phoenix Distributing Co. on Wash-

ington Street.

M. W. McBroom, owner of Phoenix Distributing, says the building will be completed and they will be set up for business February 1st and ready to distributions are also as the new Airson phonographs. play the new Aireon phonographs.

G. I. Firm Organized

PHILADELPHIA—G. I. Music Corp., organized to buy, sell, lease and operate automatic phonographs and auxiliary equip-ment, has made its appearance in the local operating picture.

Completely G. I. in nature the new outfit is reported to be composed of returning veterans who will employ only Vets. of World War II to fill posts in the organization.

Obviously the new group have a forceful operating name and can lend some beaucompetition to the local phonograph field if the most is made of the set-up.

Aireon Increases Space

KANSAS CITY—The largest phonograph manufacturing plant in the nation can well be the claim of the Aireon Manufacturing Corp., with plants number 1, 2, 3 and 4 now combined under one roof to provide 500,000 square feet of manufacturing area, with an additional 400,000 square feet of concrete parking space; plus railroad sidings and loading and unloading facilities.

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Packard Pla-Mor boxes being turned out on the first assembly line setup at the Packard plant in Indianapolis.



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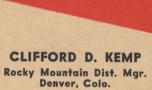
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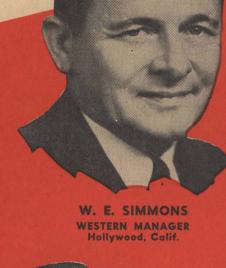
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"From Now On - - - It's AIREON!"

Raltimore

Amusement Center, one of the larger arcades in this city, plans to install equipment for serving hot dogs through vending machines, and also ice cream, according to B. A. Price, general manager.

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Amusement Center is owned by Arthur B. Price, who is a Baltimore City Councilman. Price also owns the Lakewood Swimming Pool, Gwynn Oak Amusement Park, College Inn Restaurant, and the Aurora Theater. He is one of the best known figures in the Baltimore entertainment fold. ment field.

The General Vending Service Co., new distributors for Aireon, recently held an distributors for Aireon, recently held an operators' sales conference at their show-rooms, which was attended by more than 100 operators in Baltimore and vicinity. A word picture of the new phonograph and highlights were presented to the operators. General also held a similar sales conference for operators in the Washington market.

Music Box Service, Inc., has been organized and formed to engage in music box operations in Baltimore. It is by far the largest such enterprise formed in Baltimore in many years. Officers of the firm are Jerry Benesch, president, Dewey Farbaum, treasurer and Kathleen Benesch,

Organization starts operations off with around 200 music box units. Its initial business will include at least that number

of spots.

Aaron Folb, well-known music box operator until his recent retirement, has become advisor to Benesch, who incident-

become advisor to Benesch, who incidentally is Folb's cousin.

Folb, until his retirement, operated as the Phoenix Novelty Co. and in his heyday, he operated over 300 units.

Samuel Rinzler was recently named manager of record activities for Musical Sales Co., J. P. Seeburg Corp., Distributor in the Baltimore area. They are also exclusive distributors for Pfanstiehl Needles in this market.

Captain Harold Webb has been named manager of operations. The Captain is

manager of operations. The Captain is still in the service but is expecting his discharge at an early date.

Mac Lesnick is president of Musical Sales Co., which also has branches in Washington and Richmond.

At a recent meeting of automatic merchandisers of Baltimore and Washington, D.C., formation of the Automatic Merchandising Association of Maryland and the District of Columbia was announced, with B. W. Scheuer, president of Vendomat Corp., of America, chosen president mat Corp., of America, chosen president of the organization; vice-presidents named were G. H. Duckett, of the G. H. Macke Corp. of Washington, D.C.; J. Gilbert Stine, of the Serv-U Vending Co. of Hagerstown, Md., E. R. Morse, of the Canteen Co., Baltimore.

A. Stanley Reehling, president of the Vending Corp., of Baltimore, was named secretary and C. R. Greasley, of the Vendomat Corp. of America, was elected treasurer.

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Members of the Board of Directors chosen were: S. H. Todd, of H. S. Todd & Co. of Salisbury, Md.; S. F. Roth, National Distributors, Inc., Washington, D.C.; and W. J. Boersma.

The Melody Music Co. has been organized by Joseph Samuels and Ernie Goodmen, both former service men with the United States army. They operated before the war as the Bond Coin Machine Co.

Co. Partnership has opened for business on Mount Royal avenue.

John F. Ignace



Bill Happel

Happel Has Keeney

LOS ANGELES—William Happel, of Badger Sales Co., has closed a deal for the representation of the game line of J. H. Keeney & Co. in Southern California, Arizona and Southern Nevada; and for his Badger Novelty Co. in Mil-

and for his Badger Novelty Co. in Milwaukee, to represent Keeney in the state of Wisconsin and Northern Michigan.
"In the future I believe coin machine distributors will have to specialize in fewer lines," said Bill Happel in speaking of the appointment. "Specialization has its advantages. First, it permits a distributor to carry an adequate line of retributor to carry an adequate line of replacement parts on the machines he is representing instead of a varied and in-complete assortment of parts for dozens of manufacturers. Our mechanics are schooled in the equipment we are dis-tributing and can render better service

to operators."

Badger Sales and Badger Novelty have the distribution for Rock-Ola Manufac-

the distribution for Rock-Ola Manufacturing Corp. in the same territories.

New staff additions at Badger Sales include Edmund Y. Gunsteens, for several years with Rock-Ola as a service director; Oliver T. Dawson, well known repairman who has closed his shop to join Badger; and Charles Y. Webb, in the repair and maintenance division.

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ties in first class fashion with the first shipment of 15 new machines going to Manila, P. I., during December, and 2 of a shipment of 50 Panorams leaving for Johannesburg, South Africa.

Easy Glass Mender
PHILADELPHIA — Sam Lerner has found a new item which is most effective, and far superior to glue and rubber cement, in patching and repairing broken glass in coin-operated amusement and vend-ing devices. It's alum! It holds the glass rigid and is more inconspicuous than other adhesives. It can be melted in a tin container under a cigarette lighter or matches and glass can be mended on location.

Glass mended with alum has a tendency to be stronger if the substance is spread over the inside portion of the glass. Since it is transparent, it does not destroy the display advantages of the machine but merely serves to cushion the glass when

"Glass was always one of our biggest headaches," Lerner said, "but now that we have discovered the advantages of alum, we are free to turn our attention to servicing other details of the machines to make for better all-around efficiency. We've had no complaints from locations where alum was used to repair machine glass instead of replacing the glass entirely."

Aireon for Hawaii

HOLLYWOOD—Phil Kellerman, owner of Pacific Jobbers and former manager of Bergstrom Music Co., Honolulu, has closed a deal with W. E. Simmons, Aireon Western Regional Manager, whereby his firm will handle the Aireon distribution in the Is-

Kellerman and Simmons have been closely associated in the sale of musical instruments in Honolulu in years past and a real sales campaign is now being planned in Honolulu through Aireon advertising de-partment of the Radio-Phonograph Division.

To speed sales, Kellerman purchased a new plane while here and will use it to cover the Islands of Hawaii and also the Philippines. He has been flying a plane for some years and finds it a valuable adjunct to his sales activities.

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Greatest Time Saving

PENNY WEIGHING SCALE

CAPACITY \$10.00 SPRINGS ARE PRECISION CALIBRATED

HEAVY SHEET METAL BASE TIN SCOOP

DIAL IS GLASS COVERED WHICH PROTECTS POINTER WHEN IN USE

Skilled Hand Workmanship Is Employed in Building This Scale To Assure Reliability and Accuracy. There is a Sturdiness of Construction More Durable Than Is Generally Found in Scales. Finish Is Black Crinkel. Carrying Case Is Made of Strong Black Fibre To Meet the Hard and Constant Use That It Is Subjected to.

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** 227 Jo Stafford-Paul Weston
SYMPHONY (V)
DAY BY DAY (V)
La Stafford, in top form, sings two numbers
that are acceptable for phono use. First is the
English lyrics of the ballad which was the G. I.
fave in France. Rich violin passages set off the
vocals. Flopover is a love song hauntingly
sweet. Good dance disc.

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4* 228 Johnnie Johnston
ONE MORE DREAM (V FT)
AS LONG AS I LIVE (V FT)
The romantic baritone of Johnston is capably presented on this brace of tunes which are both current favorites. Lloyd Shaffer's band backs up and The Satisfiers toss in their two-bits worth to make real showmanly recordings of both numbers.

4* 229 Stain Kenton
ARTISTRY JUMPS (FT)

JUST A-SITTIN' AND A-ROCKIN' (FT VC)

Based on the Kenton theme "Artistry in Rhythm" the "A" side is a very fast instrumental, power-house style. An exciting number that will warrant, and get, plenty of repeat plays. Platter mate is an easy swinging tempo with vocal by June Christy. Tune is by Ellington and reflects his general style. Very good numbers and ideal for automatic use.

COAST

4* 2016 Jimmy Walker
DETOUR (HB V)
SIOUX CITY SUE (HB V)
Walker, Paul Westmoreland and his Pecos
River Boys have two positive hillbilly hit tunes on

this disc. Both are spirited numbers and Walker gives them his best. Accompaniment is tops and numbers will account for plenty of repeat plays.

4★ 2012 Ozie Waters

COOL WATER (HB V)

AT LEAST A MILLION TEARS (HB V)

Here is a tune that will take its place as one of the classics in Western Music and we haven't heard a finer rendition than that delivered by Ozie Waters. This disc will please in any type location. Smooth vocal work, amply supported by the Plainsmen and the Coast Ranch Hands.

3* 2013 Idaho Call IT'S TOO LATE NOW (HB V) DARLIN' WHAT MORE CAN I DO

(HB V)

Nice bounce to the first side as it romps along showcasing the vocal work of Boots Faye. "B" side has Boots and Idaho featured on the Autry tune. Good program filler for hillbilly spots.

2014 Idaho Call

HEARTACHES (HB V)
YOU DON'T CARE WHAT HAPPENS

TO ME (HB V)

Regulation hillbilly material. First side taken at a slow tempo while the flopover intythmical number with pleasing vocals.

4* 2015 Ozie Waters

ALONG THE NAVAJO TRAIL (HB V)
SILVER DEW ON THE BLUE GRASS
TONIGHT (HB V)

Exceptionally fine western recording of two resent favorites. Ozie lives up to his reputation for impeccable vocal work on his recordings. Recommended.

COLUMBIA

4* 36875 Les Brown
THE LAST TIME I SAW YOU (FT VC)
AREN'T YOU GLAD YOU'RE YOU?

(FT VC)
The dough is on the second side of this disc.
First side is passable fare but a genuine lift in tempo comes on the reverse. This cute number is similar to "Swingin" On a Star" and will outean that number. Wear out the second side and get an extra dividend from the first.

4* 36870 Woody Herman
GEE, IT'S GOOD TO HOLD YOU
(FT VC)

YOUR FATHER'S MUSTACHE (FT VC)
Two contrasting tunes. A melodious love song with sentimental lyrics backed up by a fast instrumental highlighted by a few bars from the "Glee Club." Both sides lend themselves to automatic use and should make money for operators. We pick the second side as the most productive.

3* 36871 Kate Smith JUST A LITTLE FOND AFFECTION

TUMBLING TUMBLEWEEDS (V) Old Kate comes through with a pair that hold more than usual interest. 4 Chicks and Chuck help save the day and make the numbers what they are. The best of the two is the old "Tumbleweed" favorite. Kate gives it some deep feeling.

3* 36873 Buster Bennett Trio

REEFER HEAD WOMAN (Y)

LEAP FROG BLUES (V)

One of the nation's leading sepia blues singers featured in two of his own original numbers with instrumental acc. Style and vivid imagination displayed makes each number interesting for race spots.

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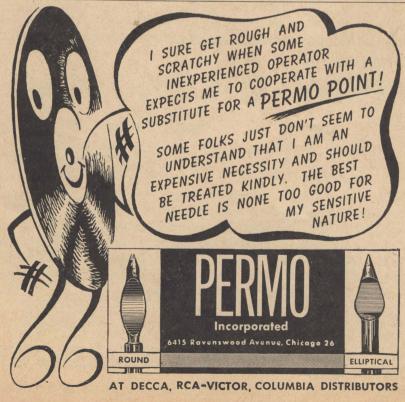
4* 36872 Curley Williams
SOUTHERN BELLE (From Nashville,
Tenn.) (OT V)
JEALOUS LADY (OT V)
Curley Williams and his Georgia Peach Pickers
really deliver the goods on this old time pairing.
This hot string band does a noble job of selling both tunes and the result is most gratifying. If you've hillbilly and folk spots this one will ring the bell. Plenty of heat emanates from this disc.

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3 * 36877 Gene Krupa
CHICKERY CHICK (FT VC)
JUST A LITTLE FOND AFFECTION
(FT VC)
Krupa adds his version to the "Chick" discs with Anita O'Day vocalizing from the start, and a rousing band in the background. Arrangement is entirely different from the rest of the field and has considerable merit. Second tune is only average, despite the neat vocal efforts of Buddy Stewart.

Stewart.

4* 36884 Les Brown
YOU WON'T BE SATISFIED (FT VC)
COME TO BABY, DO! (FT VC)
A slow lilting tempo is in evidence on the first side and on the turn-over the band shoves off with a catchy beat on a new novelty tune. Vocals are good and the music is danceable and listenable. Ok for automatics.



NORE MONEY-MAKERS RCA VICTOR!



VAUGHN MONROE

and his Orchestra LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW!

WHEN THE SANDMAN RIDES THE TRAIL

Vocal refrains by Vaughn Monroe and the Norton Sisters RCA VICTOR 20-1759



DINAH SHORE

with Russ Case and his Orchestra PASS THAT PEACE PIPE **EVERYBODY KNEW BUT ME** (by Irving Berlin)

RCA VICTOR 20-1775



TOMMY DORSEY

and his Orchestra **NEVER TOO LATE** TO PRAY

Vocal by Stuart Foster and The Sentimentalists

CHICAGO

Vocal by Cy Oliver and The Sentimentalists RCA VICTOR 20-1773

THE MOMENT I MET YOU **Vocal by The Sentimentalists** THAT WENT OUT WITH BUTTON SHOES

Vocal by Pat Brewster, Stuart Foster, The Sentimentalists and Tommy Dorsey RCA VICTOR 20-1761



JUKE BOX JOE RCA VICTOR 20-1758

THE GINGER SNAPS

with Orchestra

conducted by James Mundy

The Gang That Sang

HEART OF MY HEART

ERSKINE HAWKINS and his Orchestra

LET'S HAVE FUN TONIGHT Vocal by Ace Harris and Chorus

GOOD DIP

RCA VICTOR 20-1777



SPIKE JONES

and his City Slickers

and Red Ingle



CHARLIE SPIVAK

and his Orchestra STRANGER IN TOWN

Vocal by Jimmy Saunders HOME COUNTRY

Vocal by Irene Daye RCA VICTOR 20-1774



LARRY STEVENS

COIN with Mahlon Merrick and his MACHINE Orchestra REVIEW

IT'S A GRAND NIGHT FOR SINGING

(from 20th Century-Fox picture "State Fair")

COME CLOSER TO ME JANUARY (from the MGM picture "Easy to Wed") RCA VICTOR 20-1776

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SHEP FIELDS

and his New Music COFFEE TIME

(from the MGM picture "Yolanda and the Thief") Vocal by Meredith Blake

FINGER **Vocal by Meredith Blake** and Bob Stewart RCA VICTOR 20-1763



THE BLUE DANUBE

Vocal by Carl Grayson, Del Porter and The Boys in the Backroom

YOU ALWAYS HURT THE ONE YOU LOVE

> Vocal by Carl Grayson RCA VICTOR 20-1762



DAVID STREET

with Russ Case and his Orchestra

UH-HUH

I'M NOT HAVING ANY (THIS YEAR)

RCA VICTOR 20-1778

OLD FAMILIAR TUNES

EDDY ARNOLD

and his Tennessee Plowboys with Instrumental Accompaniment MANY TEARS AGO . YOU MUST WALK THE LINE

BLUEBIRD 33-0540 **ELTON BRITT**

with Male Trio and Orchestra I'M ALL THAT'S LEFT OF THAT OLD QUARTETTE PIDIN' WITH MY GAL **BLUEBIRD 33-0538**

THE BUCHANAN BROTHERS

(Chester and Lester) with Orchestra HURRY, JOHNNY, HURRY THE BOTTOM FELL OUT OF THE SKY **BLUEBIRD 33-0541**

THE CARTER FAMILY

Singing with Auto-harp and Guitar WHEN THE WORLD'S ON FIRE KEEP ON THE SUNNY SIDE BLUEBIRD 33-0537

MONTANA SLIM

(The Yodeling Cowboy) with Guitar MEMORIES THAT NEVER DIE . I MAY BE WRONG BLUEBIRD 33-0539

SONS OF THE PIONEERS

With Instrumental Accompaniment FORGIVE AND FORGET . THE TIMBER TRAIL RCA VICTOR 20-1764

NEW RACE RELEASES

ARTHUR "BIG BOY" CRUDUP

Blues singer with Guitar and Drums COOL DISPOSITION . KEEP YOUR ARMS AROUND ME **BLUEBIRD 34-0738**

> TAMPA RED, Blues Singer with Instrumental Accompaniment

BETTER LET MY GAL ALONE . MERCY MAMA BLUEBIRD 34-0740

INTERNATIONAL

HENRI RENE and his MUSETTE ORCHESTRA

THE BLOND SAILOR-Waltz • SILK UMBRELLA POLKA Vocals by The Victorians RCA VICTOR 25-0056

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4★ 36893 Ray Noble FULL MOON AND EMPTY ARMS

MIGHT AS WELL BE SPRING (FT

VC)
The haunting and lonely melody of Rachmaninoff's Concerto is used as the base for the first side of this disc. Passable fare for automatic phonos. Second side is a current favorite and the Noble band does a noble job.

3★ 36879 Big Bill ROLL THEM BONES (Blues Race)

HUMBLE BLUES (Blues Race)
Big Bill is riding high on the first side. Number is in a swift tempo and rolls along nice. Second side is slow and sentimental. Only for race spots.

EXCELSIOR

4★ 140 Flennoy Trio MY LOVE (V) THAT'S THE WRONG GAL, BROTHER

The original style of the Flennoy Trio showcases admirably on this brace of tunes designed for race spots, and in such spots they will earn their spurs. Nice bounce to the second tune and the sentimental lyrics on the first side sell the number.

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**A* 141 Johnny Otis

MY BABY'S BUSINESS (FT VC)

PRESTON LOVE'S MANSION (FT)

Red hot vocals on the first side with the Johnny
Otis combo banging out equally interesting acompaniment. Band takes over on the flopover
and gives out terrifically. First side has strongest
appeal in race spots but the hot instrumental on
the "B" side will command heavy play in any
dance and dine spot. Really tops.

4* 142 Johnny Otis
JIMMY'S ROUND THE CLOCK BLUES

(FT VC)

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HARLEM NOCTURNE (FT)
Another pair of sizzlers with Jimmy Rushing on the vocal on the "A" side. This band packs plenty of interest and the well-rounded out orchestrations and arrangements spell loads of entertainment. Ace high for colored spots, suitable fare for average spots.

145 Lucky Thompson All-Stars
NO-GOOD MAN BLUES (Blues VC)
WHY NOT (Inst.)
146 IRRESISTIBLE YOU (Inst.)

3* 146 IRRESISTIBLE YOU (Inst.)
PHACE (Inst.)
Slow, low down blues with a sultry vocalist punctuating the orchestral work combine for a neat dish for race spots. Flopover is taken at a faster tempo with a lot of solo work accounting for good listening—and dancing. Second disc starts slow on the "A" side and the slow, dreamy style is unusual but not exciting enough to win too many repeat plays. Count on the "B" side for the coin. Taken at a faster tempo the band gives a nice performance and qualifies for automatic phonograph consideration.

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14* 149 Gerald Wilson
YENTA (FT VC)
COME SUNDAY (FT Inst.)

150 Gerald Wilson
LOVE ME A LONG, LONG TIME
(FT VC)
I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT IS

I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT IS

(FT Inst.)

This band is an up-and-coming outfit and the Wilson arrangements are something musicians are talking about. For the automatics, they are solid numbers suitable for all types of spots. On this quartet the Thrasher Sisters are featured on the topside of the first disc. Gals do a nice vocal job and the band backs up admirably. Reverse has the Wilson combo on a special arrangement of a Duke Ellington number. Very good. Second pair is packed with music—solid and sending. Wilson employs a lot of riffs in establishing a hot pattern, Result is pleasing enough to warrant consideration from music operators. Recommended.

PEERLESS

4★ 2153 Tona la Negra PALABRAS DE MUJER (Bolero) CUANDO SE QUIERE MUCHO

(Bolero)
The Absalon Perez Orchestra is featured with the vocal work of one of the most popular thrushes on the Peerless label. Beautiful numbers, easy to listen and dance to.

At 2239 Mario Alberto Rodriguez
HUMO EN LOS OJOS (Bolero)
ALMA LIBRE (Bolero)
Charming boleros with Senor Rodriguez handling the vocals. While primarily intended for

latin spots the above two discs hold sufficient interest to garner nickels where beautiful music is saleable.

VICTOR

4* 20-1759 Vaughn Monroe LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW! LET

A* 20-1759 Vaughn Monroe

LET IT SNOW! LET IT SNOW! LET

IT SNOW! (FT VC)

WHEN THE SANDMAN RIDES THE

TRAIL (FT VC)

Count on Vaughn Monroe for top flight numbers
for the automatics. This pair won't disappoint.
Timely and mighty pleasant to listen and dance
to, with the dreamy vocal work of Monroe and
the Norton Sisters helping out on the first side.
Rollicking tune, paired with a prairie-range version of the rock-a-bye theme. Appeal here for
listeners of all ages.

4* 20-1758 Ginger Snaps

THE GANG THAT SANG HEART OF

MY HEART (V)

JUKE BOX JOE (V)

This new quartette gives a strong nostalgic appeal in their rendition of the old timer on the
first side. Lots of sentiment, expressed with a
melodic tug. Second number has a swingy beat
which is catching and toe-tantalizing. Solid harmony that will be popular with phono patrons.
And, in colored spots, a knockout disc.

3* 20-1764 Sons of the Pioneers

FORGIVE AND FORGET (HB V)

THE TIMBER TRAIL (HB V)

Two appealing numbers with plenty of meat
for the Western and Hillbilly fans. Nod goes to
the "B" side. It's taken at an easy gate, vocals
are excellent, and arrangement tops. The type of
stuff the Sons do best.

4* 20-1762 Spike Jones

THE BLUE DANUBE (V N)

YOU ALWAYS HURT THE ONE YOU

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4* 20-1762 Spike Jones
THE BLUE DANUBE (V N)
YOU ALWAYS HURT THE ONE YOU
LOVE (V N)
The "Blue Danube" catches hell and the romantic dignity of the number is punctured with whistles, cow bells, husky voice interpretations.
Spike's crew kid the Ink Spots on the "B" side. A musical binge if there ever was one and a natural for the automatics.

4* 20-1761 Tommy Dorsey
THE MOMENT I MET YOU (FT VC)
THAT WENT OUT WITH THE BUTTON SHOES (FT VC)
An infectious groovy bounce is in evidence on the featured side. The Sentimentalists give a novelty keyed to the 'teen age spirit with some amusing lyrics. An engaging disc and keyed for automatic trade.

"The Blues" Pays Off

NEW YORK-William Christopher Handy is proud of the songs he has composed and most particularly of *The St. Louis Blues* for "It has supported me for 31 years." Written in 1914, the tune still

nets him \$25,000 a year.

Just turned 72, Handy still cries the But gone is the indigo mood that inspired his first real success—born of weary days during the 1893 panic, hungry nights on the cobblestone levees of St. Louis. His soft, low laugh comes readily. He walks buoyantly about his New York

office, broad shoulders erect.

St. Louis Blues gave Handy a hitch

toward his high standing among 50 top Negro musicians, and it launched a new type of folk music that springs from the aching hearts of the "black and blue race." When Handy sent up that wail about "de evenin' sun" he fathered the "blues."

Today his brilliant, dark eyes are blind but he turned up last summer in St. Louis for the Negro Music Festival to hear a symphonic version of the St. Louis Blues played over the air for the first time as

Blue Destiny.

Remembering his days as water boy, shoemaker, cotton picker, steel worker, Handy intends to will his Tuckahoe, N. Y., house, with its music library, as a sanctuary for struggling musicians. He loves this quiet home, likes to entertain there at informal fried chicken dinners with chats afterward around a wood fire. It's quite afterward around a wood fire. It's quite different from the log cabin on Handy's Hill, in Florence, Ala., where he was born "eight years after surrender. Back in those days I couldn't find a place like this to study," he says. "Now I have it I can't study. But I'll find a way!"

This is typical of Handy's courageous thitted as thereback the same and

attitude—a throwback to a slave grand-father who never allowed himself to be whipped. Rhythm came from a "shouting Methodist" mother, and another grandwhipped. Knythm came from a "shouting Methodist" mother, and another grandfather who fiddled "before he got religion." But—inspired hy a remark that his big ears indicated talent—little "squinch-eye" Handy dragged himself up the musical path all alone. He'll never forget the time he brought home a self-earned guitar at 12. "Change that devil's plaything for a dientification." "Change that devil's plaything for a dictionary," thundered his preacher-father. It was his first taste of the "blues." And soon he left home to join a wandering

soon he left home to join a wandering minstrel show.

Handy's works include over 100 musical pieces. But the one thing that warms his heart is seeing his name between Handel and Hayden among famed musicians. That's a long way for a Negro from Handy's Hill. "But we live in a new age," he points out, "and this is America."

Ashe Back In Philly

PHILADEL PHIA Cearge Ashe is back

PHILADELPHIA—George Ashe is back in town and has taken over as general manager of Automatic Equipment Co., Seeburg distributors for Eastern Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and Southern New

During the war George was affiliated with the Kleer-Flo Co., and is happy to be back at Automatic and put into effect the post-war expansion plans which will include an expanded parts department, the latest testing equipment and the construction of a new and modern spray paint shop.

Our Best Wishes for the New Year

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Candy Program Extended

CHICAGO-The Council on Candy has embarked on the third phase of its program inaugurated in the fall of 1942, to bring about an improved, correct understanding of confectionery in the national consciousness

with \$1,300,000 raised since the beginning of the campaign, and largely expended, the Council has voted, with the National Confectioners' Association directors concurring, to proceed on the same broad basis and keep the industry's promotion going full-blast into mid-summer of

This campaign is doing a terrific job in selling civilians on candy as a food and candy vending operators will profit from this constructive program when adequate stocks are again available.

Bars In Majority

WASHINGTON—According to the U. S. Department of Commerce, candy bars now represent 52 per cent of all candy sold. Twenty years ago bars amounted to only

25 per cent.
Packaged goods amount to 20 per cent of candy sales compared with 12 per cent in 1925. Penny candies amount to 3 per cent against 16 per cent then.

Twist on Promotion

NEW YORK—In a recent interview with Earl Wilson in the local Post, Fred Allen, radio comedian, revealed that Hershey was particularly interested in keeping him

in pictures.
"It's this way," said Fred, "When I am on the screen, more people come out into the lobby and buy Hershey bars than

for any other actor.'

Earl Rejoins Stoner

PORTLAND—W. E. Earl, West Coast Representative for Stoner Corp., Aurora, Ill., before the war, has announced his association with Stoner again and the addition of Don H. Burcham as his as-

sistant in covering the western territory.

Before joining Stoner Earl was Northwest Manager for Automatic Canteen for 9 years and was their first Pacific Coast operator. He sold the canteen operation in 1939, joining Stoner shortly thereafter. Burcham has been a manufacturers' representative for 25 years and his vast experience along these lines will prove of inestimable value to Stoner and Earl.

Both have visited the Stoner factory in recent months and report the new Univendors are on the way and it won't be long before they are again rolling off the line, and better than ever.

Candy Operator Refunds COLUMBUS, Ohio—Ohio's candy bar vending machine operators will receive refunds of about \$330,000 on sales taxes paid on candy bars below nine cents each in accordance with a state Supreme Court decision handed down last February. State Tax Commissioner C. Emory Glan-

der has ordered the sales tax division to begin making refunds to all who made claims within ninety days after the decision. About one-third of the refund will go to tobacco and candy operators operating candy vending devices.

Schutter Starts Building

CHICAGO—Ground has been broken on the site for the addition to the Schutter Candy Co. plant here. William Fette, Jr., executive vice president, turned the first shovel of dirt to start the construc-

Sugar Normalcy in 1947

WASHINGTON-When will sugar supplies reach the level when rationing and controls will no longer be necessary? Any manufacturer who could answer this ques tion with a fair degree of accuracy would have a definite competitive advantage.

Earl Wilson, Chief of the Sugar Branch of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, predicts that the supply of sugar will reach the prewar level and may even be in excess of normal by the Spring of 1947. Shortly after that but certainly by the end of 1947, the Government will be able to end its sugar program and controls.

Insofar as the immediate sugar picture was concerned, Wilson, who before joinwas concerned, Wilson, who before joining the Government service three years ago, was vice president of the National Sugar Refining Co., New York, was less encouraging. December and January and February of the new year, he said, would be the most acute period for sugar users since the shortage first began to be felt. In fact, in January, 1946, there will be 1,000,000 tons less sugar in stock in the U.S. than in January, 1945. U.S. than in January, 1945.

Members of the candy industry are accepting Wilson's comments as the first germ of a workable basis around which manufacturers of confectionery can re-liably plan their future activities.

Operators of candy vending machines can interpret this prediction in the same light. There have been a quantity of bars available since the cancellation of government buying but this has about spent its force and the supply of new bars will drop back to low levels.

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Schutter Sponsors Christmas Show

CHICAGO-Schutter Candy Co. has signed through its agency, Schwimmer & Scott, to sponsor Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians in a Christmas Day show on 149 NBC stations, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

The show will cost an estimated \$10,000, and will promote Old Nick and Bit-O-Honey candy bars.

Kassing Joins N.D.I.

WASHINGTON—Samuel F. Roth, president of National Distributors, Inc., prominent vending machine operators in the Washington, D.C. area, announces the appointment of Ralph Kassing, as general manager in charge of operations of N.D.I.

Kassing until recently was a captain in

Kassing until recently was a captain in the Army Air Corps and was officer-in-charge of the Bolling Field (D.C.) Post Exchange with its vast and diversified merchandising activities. He has had considerable experience with the candy, cake

cigarette mechanical merchandising machines in which the N.D.I. organization specializes.

More than 20 years' experience in variety stores, such as Woolworth's and Mc-Crory's, in New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia, has given him a background which makes him well qualified for his new position, Roth said.

"Whiz" Is A Whiz

BLOOMINGTON, Ill.—"Miss Whiz", a curvaceous personality girl blessed with the same name as the candy bar by Beich, is currently appearing on billboards and account many a car to slow down for a

is currently appearing on billboards and causing many a car to slow down for a second look.

First in a series of posters to portray attractive Miss Whiz participating in active outdoor sports, the poster does a bang-up job of selling the candy bar which is, incidentally, illustrated also.

A Dutch portrait painter, Theodore Cappetti is responsible for the art and Ann Cox, a Chicago model, posed for the eye-opener series.

eye-opener series.

Booklet on Vending

AURORA-Opportunities in the vending machine field and suggestions for the nov-ice "operator" are covered concisely and simply in a new booklet just released by the Stoner Mfg. Corp., manufacturers of coin operated equipment for the past 17

While of interest to any newcomer to the vending machine business, the booklet is especially written for the information of the discharged veteran who is considering embarking upon an independent business venbarking upon an independent business venture. A separate section covers each of these topics: Opportunities in the Candy Vendor Field; How to Start in the Candy Vendor Business; Suggestions for the Location of Your Business; Determining the Equipment You Will Need; Financial Assistance Available to Help You for the Purchase of Univendor Candy Vendors; Importance of Selecting Dependable Equipment; Minimum Maintenance; Longer Life; Some Facts about the Stoner Mfg. Corp.

Copies of the booklet, which is entitled "UNIVENDOR Vends Them All", may be secured from the Stoner Mfg. Corp., Au-

Mars Remodeled

CHICAGO-Mars, Inc., has announced the completion of a remodeling job on a considerable portion of the plant.

According to Victor H. Geis, General Sales Manager, the remodeling is "just the initial step in a general plant rebuilding which has been instituted to, in some way, make up for the four-year war period during which no construction was done. We are preparing for increased production and sales in the period ahead."

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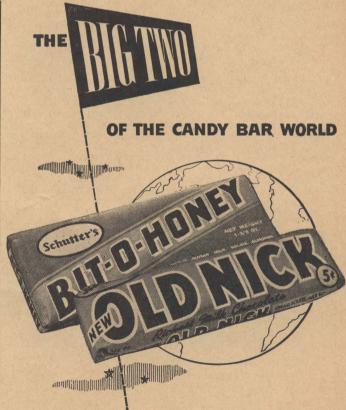
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CIGARETTE VENIING



Cigarette Machine Operators Face A Battle For Life

MACK H. POSTEL

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ist for many years, having sold such equipment to the operators in almost every COIN State of the Union. Having lived with them for so many years, I feel morally obligated to warn them of a most serious MACHINE impending danger that threatens their busi-

ness existence, for 1946 and the years to follow. It is with this thought that this article was written.

I have been a cigarette machine special-

1946

For the most part, the operator in the past, has been riding the crest of the waves, resting on his laurels, taking it easy, with little or no competition to worry about, and quite content with his lot. He had no problems, no worries, was making had no problems, no worries, was making money, with not a care in the world. When new models came, he bought a few for his very BEST locations, had a big time at the Coin Show and was at peace with the world. Brother, that's all over with now. The picture for 1946 will be changed, and what a change will be brought about. and what a change will be brought about. Your very business existence will be threatened. You're all done taking it easy, if you want to stay in the running. You're going to have to roll up those sleeves, and start pitching. The ending of the war has so changed the picture of things for you, that you're going to be knocked back on your heels, from which you'll NOT recover, unless you realize what you're recover, unless you realize what you're going to be up against, and start mapping out your own program to combat this serious on-coming NEW competition, you're going to be confronted with. Here's what you are going to face.

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Hundreds of NEW factories were created during the war, by private and Government funds, for the making of the implements of war. With the war's ending, and war order cancellations, these white elephants are being tooled and died up for the making of many peace-time products, coin machines included. About 6 to 8 of them have decided on making cigarette ma-This means, that instead of just four cigarette machine manufacturers, as four cigarette machine manufacturers, as in the long past, we're going to have from ten to twelve. Some of these are subsidiaries of great industrial and financial giants. They've decided to make cigarette machines, are almost ready for delivery, and there's no turning back for them. They know of the factories that came and did not survive. They know that most old line operators will stick to the old RIG FOLIR, the old and established the old BIG FOUR, the old and established cigarette machine makers, whose products are time tested and proven. They know they're going to have to fight to get IN, but they're fully prepared. If necessary, they will create their own operators; and finance them with machines and even furnish them with gigarattee. nish them with cigarettes, if necessary. They're going to invade EVERY territory, and are going to get a foot-hold, if you fellows are caught napping. Here's where you old operators come in.

Don't wait until they invade. Exert every effort to keep them OUT. There's not enough room in this business of ours for that many manufacturers and all the operators they're planning to set-up. Unless you are prepared to stand up and fight, you'll be a dead duck. It's easier and less costly, to keep competition OUT, than let him come in, and THEN, get him out. I cannot arouse you too much to the realization of what you're going to be up against. I am not an alarmist nor a pessimist, but the hand-writing of the events mist, but the hand-writing of the events to come, are so indelibly imprinted on the wall, that I'd have to be the proverbial ostrich, to overlook the obvious consequences, if such a condition is treated too lightly. This does not mean your doom is sealed and you've got cause for undue alarm, and start thinking about selling out and getting into another business. Heck NO. It only means that your days of LOAFING are over. You're going to be on your toes from now on in, until you have the situation well in hand and within control. Even after that, you're going to have to watch your operation, to make sure

it's under control.

The relaxing of your efforts and your tiligent watching, will encourage competion. You're not going to have to overwork doing it, it's just that you never had to watch your business before, as you do now. You've had it too easy up to now,

now. You've had it too easy up to now, and you're going to have to watch your baby now. Every business man in every line will be similarly affected. What's to be done, you ask. Here it is.

Keep a close contact with your locations NOW, as you never did before. Start building up a friendship with every location. Check your records of sales of every location. Give them the NEW 1946 model machines as soon as you can get them machines, as soon as you can get them, where warranted, without arguing the location out of it. It is cheaper to give him a NEW machine, than lose the spot and start spending money across the bar, to get him back. Every spot you lose NOW, means a better foot-hold for the NEW operator coming in your territory.

NEW operator coming in your territory.

In the years gone by, there were three types or classes of locations, FAIR, GOOD and VERY GOOD. In 1946, there will be just TWO types of locations, GOOD and VERY GOOD. The former FAIR spot must be classed good enough to give a good machine to, because if YOU don't, the other fellow WILL. Herein lies the danger. Competition generally starts at the poorer spots where they have a minimum of resistance from you. If you'll let competition set in here, they'll be encouraged to get in. If you fight them tooth and nail at the poor spots, you're cutting off their ability to get IN, and you're indirectly safe-guarding your best spots. The new operator coming in your territory thru even ONE poor spot, is like a worm getting into a barrel of good territory thru even UNE poor spot, is like a worm getting into a barrel of good apples. It will cost you some money to keep competition OUT, but it will cost you a HELLISH lot more, if he gets IN, and then you try to get him out. The smart operator will even give his poor spot a NEW machine, if that's what it will take to discourage HELL out of his competitor.

Hold regular meetings with your service men. Discuss their individual locations with them. Advise your men what you fellows are up against for 1946. Point out to him that his JOB and YOUR busiout to him that his JOB and YOUR business, have to fight for their life. Have them show their locations a SERVICE of INTEREST they never before displayed. Canvass every stop with or without your serviceman, and tell your deserving spots, that you'll give them the 1946 machines, just as fast as you get them. Tell your spots, not really meriting the NEW machines, in the spots, not really meriting the NEW machines. (See OPERATORS' BATTLE, Page 70)

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OPERATORS' BATTLE (Continued from Page 68)

chines, that your territory may be invaded by new competition, created by NEW war created factories, and that you mean to protect your locations, regardless of what it takes to do it. Tell him all the years of your hard work, your money invested, the jobs of your servicemen, all are being threatened by new INVADERS, and you'd appreciate their cooperation and help you your fight against outside interests. Every business-man can't help but feel

that some day, HIS business may suffer a like fate, and he'd like cooperation, too. Show him that all you local business-men must band together and NOW. You'll touch off that soft spot in the more callloused heart of your locations that way, and leave no opening whatever, for any INVADING COMPETITION.

Modern Starts
PORT CHESTER, N. Y.—Modern Tobacco Co. has already started operations at 3 Grace Church St. Corporation started and was established by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Yolen.

Yolen also heads the Modern Cigarette

Vending Co., headquartering at the same

Cigarettes Are Now Taxed in 31 States

NEW YORK-Changes in cigarette tax laws this year include increased rates in three states; one new state was added to the list resorting to such levies; another left the cigarette tax field; while proposals for new or increased taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco products were unsuccessfully sought in a number of other states, a survey indicates.

Florida's tax was increased from 3 to 4 cents for standard packs to produce an estimated \$2,000,000 more each year. Massachusetts raised its tax from 2 to 4 cents a pack to collect an estimated \$9,000,000 a year, while Connecticut added 1 cent to its levy to yield an extra \$2,500,000 annually.

Idaho's legislature enacted cent-a-pack tax, expected to yield between \$900,000 and \$1,000,000 a biennium.

Besides re-enacting the Wisconsin tax, the state's legislature also passed a new measure requiring purchasers of mail order cigarettes, which have been going into the state tax free, to pay a "use tax." Rejected by the Wisconsin solons, however, were measures to increase the cigarette tax rate and to provide for a levy against cigars.

New or increased cigarette tax proposals

were turned down during 1945 legislative sessions in a number of other states, including Michigan, Vermont, Nevada, Mon-

Delaware's tax was permitted to expire

this year, according to statute.
States now levying cigarette taxes include: Idaho, Florida, New Mexico, Alaclude: Idano, Florida, New Mexico, Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Washington and Wisconsin.

Tobacco Tables

This list is printed for the guidance of cigarette operators. Hundreds of them have found it advantageous to attend the meetings of the Tobacco Tables. Outside of excellent programs, many worthwhile contacts are possible and much good can result.

BIRMINGHAM: Second Wednesday of each month at the Thomas Jefferson Hotel at 1 o'clock.

BOSTON: Kenmore Hotel, second

Monday, in the evening.
CHICAGO: Sherman Hotel, every

Tuesday at noon in the Bamboo Room.
CLEVELAND: Hollenden Hotel,
first Wednesday at noon.
DALLAS: Dallas Athletic Club, first
and third Mondays, noon.
DETROIT: Charles Fisher's Restaurant, 666 Lothrop Avenue, second Monday at noon; fourth Monday at

6 o'clock dinner.
KANSAS CITY: Hotel President, every third Wednesday evening in each month.

INDIANAPOLIS: Columbia Club.

third Monday at noon.

LOS ANGELES: Biltmore Hotel,
first and third Fridays, at noon.

MINNEAPOLIS: Dyckman Hotel,

every Thursday at noon.

NEWARK: Robert Treat Hotel, first and third Thursdays, noon.

NEW YORK: Martinique Hotel,

every Tuesday at noon. PITTSBURGH: Every third Mon-

day noon at the Roosevelt Hotel. SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND: San Francisco Commercial Club, second and fourth Fridays at noon.

Cigs At High Peak

WASHINGTON — Tax-paid output of every type of tobacco product with the exception of large cigarettes increased in October.

October production of cigarettes was an all-time high, amounting to 31,340,458,567—an increase of 58.44 per cent above October, 1944.

Cigarette production in the ten months period amounted to 226,155,656,823, an increase of 12.57 per cent over the corresponding period of 1944.

Army Sends Thanks

HAVERHILL, Mass.—Francis C. Du Grenier, new consulting engineer for Arthur H. DuGrenier, Inc., has received acknowledgment of the job performed by that firm during the war years.

In a letter J. H. Campbell, Lieut. General, Chief of Ordnance, wrote in part: "Your outstanding performance, particularly on the B. A. R. firing pins, has earned you widespread recognition.

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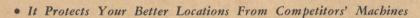
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Los Angeles

The waiting continues! Operators have been reluctant to buy, believing that new equipment will be rapidly forthcoming. It isn't. Repair establishments tell of the lull caused by the new machine threat. Apparently operators are not considering the terrific material shortage that is bottlenecking every manufacturer in the bus-

An important meeting of AOLAC was held on December 11th at which time matters affecting operating in this area were discussed. A Long Beach situation has added heat to an undesirable situation.

added heat to an undesirable situation.

Nick and Marge Carter, Nickabob Sales, are back from a trip through the San Joaquin Valley and on up to Frisco. Nick's new branch in Fresno will open on January 1st. A former tenant in the building caused some trouble by not moving his storage out in time for the announced December 15th opening.

Lucille Laymon had a thrill (?) a few days ago when a chap came in and after days ago when a chap came in and after establishing her identity, asked her to guess his. When she gave up, the chap took her back to Indiana when he was a pupil of hers in high school some years back. "It's things like this," said Lucille, "that make you start to feel you're crawling along behind Father Time at a steady gait."

Former operators are leaving the service and returning to their first love. Stuart Metz, out of the Navy, has rejoined S. & A. in San Bernardino. Harold Halgren, out of the Seabees, will resume operating. And—incidentally, Harold had to wear his uniform for several days while he scurried around trying to find clothes, for scurred around trying to find clothes, for he'd outgrown his prewar togs. Charles Cahoone, Long Beach, has kissed the Seabees goodbye and is ready to start op-erating when he can get equipment. Nor-man E. Glover, discharged from the Navy, has opened a service and repair business

Jack Gutshall made San Francisco headquarters for the second week in De-

cember while he scouted business for his line up of records.

Jimmy Rutter, infanticipating in February, is back from Marysville, Baker, Barstow and San Diego where he assisted operators on repairs.

AOLAC continues its goodwill campaign with Churches and Charitable Groups by supplying equipment for parties, carnivals, bazaars, etc. More than a dozen thank you letters received the past month,

Frank Spencer Root, Jr., 7 pounds and 12 ounces, made his appearance on October 23rd and immediately took over the center of interest at the home of the Roots. Red hair, and all, the youngster bids fair to becoming as good an operator, in time, as his old man.

Out-of-town operators in on equipment and supply buying the past month included the following at Laymon's: Perry Irwin, Ventura; G. L. Catlin, Montrose; J. A. Stewart, Reno; E. J. Bryant, Glendale; D. D. Patton, Turlock; Eddie Seadale; D. D. Patton, Turlock; Eddie Seaman, San Bernardino; Earl Beatty, Temple; Ed Sullivan, Oceanside; Ray Ressel, Riverside; A. R. Kelly, Pismo Beach; Glen McCarter, Calimesa; Charles Whale, Colorado Springs, Colo.: J. P. Bender and W. H. Shorey, San Bernardino; Louie Dunn, Monterey Park and S. L. Griffin, Octavicate pression spatial of few parks.

Ontario, to mention only a few.

Frank Lamb is back in town after a vacation trip in the middle West.

Bud Parr returned from San Francisco on the 12th after visiting his Bay District office for the first time in weeks.

office for the first time in weeks.

Bill Wolf, that seasoned traveler, arrived from Chicago on the 6th, left for the San Francisco office on the 11th, rethe San Francisco office on the 11th, returned to Los Angeles on the 17th and expected to head for Chicago again on the 20th. California Amusement has a big showing of AMI instruments scheduled for January.

Tom Wall, of California Games, and Associates, are installing a new beach concession game on the Pike in Long Reach.

concession game on the Pike in Long Beach. From now on Tom will divide his time 'twixt the game and gals bathing

down thar.

They live differently in Nevada. At least Charlie Robinson found that true on a recent visit to the key cities where spots are open around the clock. To contact owners and operators Charlie had appointments from 4 a.m. on through to midnight. When he got home he spent a full day sleeping and recuperating from such arduous business engagements.

Aubrey Stemler left with the Missus on the 11th for Chicago to be on hand for an important business conference which should result in an important announce-

ment next month.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Laymon and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wilkes week-ended in the Lancaster area the middle of the month in search of desert holly for Christmas home decorating.

Connie Berkbauer, a former customer of Bill Happel's in the years he was at Badger Novelty, sold his operation in Milwaukee and took a look-see at California. You guessed it! Connie bought a house, hied home to Milwaukee to sell his home there and get back here guick. When there and get back here quick. When new equipment is ready he expects to establish an operation.

New serviceman at the Laymons' is Fred Johnson.

Lane Jasper is on a business trip to Chicago.

John McCall has been busy the past month, taking time out from his operations, to cut and bring to Los Angeles a quantity of Christmas trees from the Lake

Tahoe area.

Apollo Record Distributing Co.
opened local offices on West Pico.
E. L. Hearn, of Globe Records,

operator-extraordinaire, has been fighting arthritis.

Fred Meyers, of K & M Service, has been on a prolonged trip through the South and is sending through terrific orders for records handled by the firm. On the 13th he was 500 records ahead of the local sales record of L. E. Kelly.

Jack Simon is displaying a new one-wheel trailer that looks good for operators.

See it at Sicking Distributing Co.

The display rooms of W. E. Simmons are in order in the Bekins Storage Building in Hollywood and awaiting the new Aireon phonographs.

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Portland

On December 10 the Operators of Portland attempted a get-together at the Mult-nomah Hotel for the purpose of discussing plans for an Association. Inasmuch as some of the majority groups were not present, no matters of consequence could be aired and for that reason it was decided to adjourn and make an attempt to get more of the fellows together on Janu-

Many of the local ops seems to agree that for their own welfare, some kind of an Association with the means of controlling the situation to a degree would be beneficial to all concerned, but from appearances a general mutual accordance ideas is going to be a difficult matter. (Who, around these parts, could wield an axe of authority?)

Have heard it rumored that already a number of the old time operators have found it wise to trim location percentages, and in view of the apparent mounting costs, and prices of new equipment, it is apparent to this correspondent, although at present removed from the operating business, that the old percentages can not profitably be paid to locations in the future.

Since very little new equipment has appeared, there seems to be little in the

way of news to report except some of the activities of local personalities. Clayton Ballard, after a strenuous trip, making the rounds of his large territory for Aireon, is at present laid up with tonsilities but plans to fly tomorrow for tonsilitis but plans to fly tomorrow for Spokane with Budge Wright and Walter Spokane with Budge Wright and Walter Solomon (business or pleasure?) Vern Raw, back at Seaside, the home town, after one of the shortest recorded stays in the Navy (one month) . . . Earl Bush of Coos Bay, reportedly getting along o.k. after a serious accident . . . Saw Marty Fibiger at one of the jobbers looking thin but pleased to be out of the Navy . . . plans to rest before a trip to Chicago in January . . . Bill Haner doing free lance repairing since release from the Navy and looking for a place to set up shop.

Roy Gatto claims, and probably truth-

fully, the distinction of being the only man on the coast still operating 250 Keeney boxes profitably . . . (he looks happy and unconcerned . . . a pat on on Al Brun, the back for Jack Keeney) . . . Al Brun, back from Europe at Coast Amusement, reports his first impression of his new son satisfactory . . . Sol Fox, still getting around to his music spots, and hitting on

Maury Wiczer, with Harry Marcus of Matry Marcus of Chicago, has been calling on the local trade . . . has a few parts left to sell so is heading for Tacoma and Seattle . . . Sgt. Eddie Glazier expected back from China in January.

Keith Payne representing Clark Distributing Co. has liquidated his house in Seattle and purchased a new home with

Seattle and purchased a new home with acreage in the Northeast district of Portland . . . Clark Distributing remodeling the building that they have leased, as their headquarters on Northwest 16th and

Lovejoy.

The Jack Moore outfit is forced to get The Jack Moore outfit is forced to get by with a skeleton crew probably until the first of the year . . . Jack and all Branch Managers, Shop Foremen and Servicemen are at the Seeburg Factory in Chicago for a meeting of Distributors and a Servicemen's School . . meeting now instead of in January because of Hotel shortage . . . of this group a number plan detours before heading homeward . . . A. S. (Bert) Beutler and wife



Budge Wright, Portland distributor, takes a turn on the new Victory Derby while Jack R. Moore, Pacific Coast Representative looks on-smiling encouragingly as Budge collects.

("Free") stopping by Ashland, Ky. for Xmas . . . Ed Cusson plans to visit his sister at Angola, Ind. . . . Eddie Eby visiting El Paso for Xmas with his son Dan Hugenin returning via San Francisco.

Operators are anticipating another deluxe Xmas party at the Moore office with turkey and trimmings, etc., and hoping that traditions will be followed with C. H. McGirr mixing and serving the Tom and Jerry batter. During the shortage of Moore executives, Forbes Simpson, who was enroute to San Francisco, was talked into pinch-hitting for the service department until Xmas . . . and Dick Hiland has gone on the road for Jack (permanently).

Frank Bennett reportedly has purchased

L. H. Robison's operation of games . . . Rumor has it that G. F. Johnson may retire shortly and allow his two sons to succeed him . . . Sgt. Tom Bushby at present writing reports from Victorville,

Cal. . . . Rolly Savage working with Johnny Welch since returning from the Navy . . Chet Doerr still plugging away with Melody Amusement . . .

Over at Nat Schoen's, home of "The Phonograph of Tomorrow", E. Roland Allen, General Manager, reports troubles again this month . . Since the Liquor Commission ended rationing, he has made daily attempts to buy Scotch . . finally got two bottles but was forced to give them away for Xmas . . . so none left for poor Roland.

Darrel Ellis, prominent Los Angeles

for poor Roland.

Darrel Ellis, prominent Los Angeles operator, has been visiting his brother Neal Ellis of the operating firm of Ellis and Taylor at Neal's palatial "Canterbury Castle" . . . after slipping on a banana peel while attempting to dive into Neal's swimming pool (he claims there ain't no dive like this Canterbury Castle in L.A.) . . . so he hied back to L.A. to liquidate his affairs . . . his return to Portland will be accompanied by the opening of a new exclusive steak house.

That's about all I can find out that should be printed, this time. See you next month.

Fritz Hall

Richarme Retiring

LONG BEACH-Joe Richarme, who has operated a jobbing business under the name of the Long Beach Coin Machine Exchange for a number of years, has announced his retirement from jobbing and distributing activities.

"I do not intend to re-open the sales-room on coin machines or radios," said Joe. "I am going to take a needed rest. The boys (Thompson Brothers) are going to operate out of this place and use it

for their headquarters."

The best wishes of the Industry follow you, Joe, and we hope for your early return to activity in our industry.

REVIEW ADVERTISING PAYS

Photo Electric RIFLE RANGE

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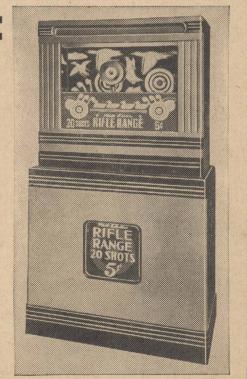
"Shoot the Jap"..."Chicken Sams"... "Convicts", are all making top dollars when converted into the brand new Coinex Photo Electric Rifle Range. Can be installed on location in 20 minutes by anyone; has great player appeal; loca-tion-tested. Rifle Range in-cludes all the old target principles. As stundard as sugar and salt.

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FOR JANUARY

Salt Lake City

R. F. Jones and Roger A. Tays of the Jones Distributing Co., exclusive distributors for J. P. Seeburg Corp., Bally Mfg. Co. & O. D. Jennings, have just returned from Denver after completing arrangements to open a branch office shortly after the first of the year in that city.

Bill Erskine, who has just received his discharge from the Army, will be the new branch manager. The building is being completely remodeled with a new glass brick front and all modern display rooms and shop.

Jones intends that the new office will act in the same capacity as the Salt Lake office, a One-Stop-Store for the coin machine industry.

chine industry.

Enthusiasm is running high among the operators of the Salt Lake territory since they have been receiving deliveries on the new Bally Victory Derby. The last two weeks the Jones Distributing Co. has been a meeting place for all the operators getting their new machines. Comments from the operators in each case seem to

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ARCADE EQUIPMENT	
	\$ 25.00 25.00
A.B.T. Challengers A.B.T. Target Skill (Late Model) A.B.T. Skill (Model F) Ace Bomber	19.50
Ace Bomber	235.00 39.50 29.50
Bally Alley	29.50
Bally Basket Ball (repainted) Bally Bull	
Bally Basket Ball (repainted) Bally Rapid Fire. Barrel O'Fun (Exhibit) Batting Practice (Scientific) Bicycle Speed Tester (Exhibit) Card Venders (Exhibit) with Base. Card Venders (Without Base) Card Venders (Metal Int.) 2 for 5c. Chester-Pollard Golf (Painted) Chicago Coin Hockey. Chuck-O-Luck Donkey Strength Tester. Egyptian Mummy Exhibit. Evans 36 ft. Duck Pin Alley, coin- operated, (uncrated) Automatic Pin Set	125.00
Barrel O'Fun (Exhibit)	99.50
Bicycle Speed Tester (Exhibit)	125.00
Card Venders (Exhibit) with Base	25.00 17.50
Card Venders (Metal Int.) 2 for 5c	39.50
Chicago Coin Hockey	189.50
Chuck-O-Luck	5.00
Egyptian Mummy Exhibit	119.50
Evans 36 ft. Duck Pin Alley, coin-	
Set	189.50
Evans Tommy Gun	189.50 109.50 109.50
Golf Put-er-in 6 feet	29.50
Gripper, Single (Gottlieb)	15.00
Set Evans Tommy Gun Fireman (Int. Thigh-0-Graph) Golf Put-er-in 6 feet. Gripper, Single (Gottlieb). Gripper, Arcade with Stand Grip Tease Horkey (Seeburg)	15.00 29.50 59.50
Hockey (Seeburg)	69.50 11.00
Int. Mutoscope (with stand)	29.50
Int. Mutoscope L. Sign Counter	29.50 25.00
Grip Tease Hockey (Seeburg) Home Run Int. Mutoscope (with stand) Int. Mutoscope L. Sign Counter Jungle Hunt Keeney Arl Raider Keeney Anti-Aircraft (Repainted) Keeney Submarine Kicker and Catcher Kiss-O-Meter Knotty Peak (without Stand)	149.50
Keeney Anti-Aircraft (Repainted)	42.50 89.50
Kicker and Catcher	25.00 169.50 49.50
Kiss-O-Meter	169.50
Liberator	215.00
Love Meter (Floor Model)	29.50 129.50
Changeover for Seeburg Guns) Changeover for Seeburg Guns) Killorator Love - O-Meter (Floor Model) Mills Panoram Mills Peop Show (Without stand) Mystic Eye (Exhibit) Photo Electric Rifle Range Unit (Changeover for Seeburg Guns)	325.00 225.00
Mystic Eve (Exhibit)	139.50
Photo Electric Rifle Range Unit	12.75
Pikes Peak	13.75
Peep Show (Back to Nature)	49.50 49.50
Plantellus (without side signs)	39.50
Popmatic Popcorn Machine	69.50 215.00
Poker & Joker	89.50
Radiogram (Exhibit)	150.00
Red. White & Blue Target (A.B.T.)	150.00 150.00 22.50
Rockola Ten Pins (Unpainted)	59.50 69.50
Rotary (Pusher Type) without motor	149.50
Seeburg Chicken Sam	149.50 109.50
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Skill Jump (Groetchen)	59.50 29.50 12.50 225.00
Shocker, Advance Electric Ic	12.50
Striking Clock (Counter Model)	49.50
Super Bomber (Evans)	235.00
Tail Gunner	89.50
Ten Strike (Evans)	59.50 69.50
Test Pilot (Cabinets Only)	20.00
Tokyo Gun	49.50 119.50
Tricks (Genco) Pin Ball	29.50
Western Strength Test	89.50 39.50
Whoopee Ball	3.50
World Series (Rockola)	169.50 89.50
Your Future Home	29.50
Texas Leaguer Tokyo Gun Tricks (Genco) Pin Ball United Nations Western Strength Test. Whoopee Ball Wizard Pen World Series (Rockola) Your Future Home. IDEAL NOVELTY CO	1.95
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be "Thanks for the Two—when can we get 10 more?" Jones reports.

The Rowe Cigarette Service with B. E.

The Rowe Cigarette Service with B. E. Moran in charge, reports business good despite the holidays, at which time activities are usually rather quiet.

Reports just received from Twin Falls, Idaho, declare that county commissioners there, discussing the county's gambling sore spot, the 12 slot machines in night clubs outside Twin Falls city limits, gave the operators the green light signal this week providing a \$50.00 per year payment is paid the county for each machine.

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The two clubs granted permission to operate the machines are the Canyon Lodge and the N. Club. Eight machines ranging from 5 cents to \$1.00 will be operated at the N. Club while the other four ranging from 5c to 25c will be in use at the Canyon Lodge.

Commission Chairman Ernest V. Molander explained that the \$50.00 license fee which has been collected for each machine will put the county gambling spots under supervision of the sheriff's office; period is from November 1 to July 1, 1946. Other commissioners giving their approval for operation under the new fee were Kenyon Green and Ben Potter.

The county previously granted permits

The county previously granted permits to both lodges for operation as liquor locker clubs under \$500 surety bond. The bond for the N. Club dated Nov. 14, was reviewed and approved by commissioners. It was signed by John L. Robertson and Etta B. Robertson.

Viola Hutton

Seattle

When Councilman James Scavotto proposed an ordinance limiting the number of city pin game licenses to 2,000, he tossed out the hottest potato Pacific Northwest Coinland has handled in years. At the time Councilman James spoke the fated words, there were 1,940 licenses on the municipal books; but ere his voice had cleared the august chambers, somebody scooped up sixty. The 2,000 limit was reached and Scavotto wanted no more. The action, he claimed, would benefit local operators because outside interests, intent upon sweeping in for a killing, would be stymied.

The story, as it came from City Hall, went like this: the pin game situation as it now functions, is good. The city has glossed over the operators and finds the boys are not cut-throating nor installing near schools. The City Fathers want to keep it that way, and that's the reason for the proposal.

If we still possessed the naive freshness of our rookie reporting days, we would be tempted to swallow the yarn, smack our lips contentedly and say, "That's mighty nice of the council to look out for local operators." But after birds-eye-viewing the field for more than eight years, we know that politics and the Good Samaritan are never on speaking terms, and to keyhole the picture in its clearest perspective, we knew we had to dig—but deep.

After probing the countless ramifications, after listening to a cross-fire of diverse charges and counter-charges, after searching out the angles and putting them under a powerful magnifying glass, this is the way the cards stack:

There is strong evidence that the monopoly boys are on the move: You can count the really large pin game operators on the fingers of one hand and still have one or two digits left untouched. One of them allegedly put the bug in Scavotto's

ear. Another "biggie" was heard boasting about what would happen if the ordinance was made law. "If the small guys will play ball with me, I'll take 'em under my wing. If they don't, they won't have their licenses very long."

If a few top ops did succeed in ruling the roost, the plight of the distributor would be a sorry one. If the big boys didn't want to buy any new games, they just wouldn't buy any; and if they didn't feel like giving the location ace-high service, they wouldn't. If there were any small operators left, they would be in business by the good graces of the big guys and they wouldn't dare make an untoward move. The monopoly boys might eventually get control of all 2,000 licenses and run the show the way they wanted to run it.

Restaurant and tavern owners howled their protest to the council. Let's look at their side of the picture if the 2,000 limit were in effect. Bill Dokes runs a small cigar store and the two pin games help pay the rent. Up the street, Elmer Doe opens a large bowling alley. He wants a couple games. The operator, being limited in licenses, removes the two games from Bill Dokes' store and places them in Elmer Doe's alley, thereby increasing their play—but certainly not helping Bill Dokes pay his rent. The best spots would get the games; the small locations would go without.

Vigorous opposition on the part of locations caused the measure to be indefinitely postponed, but it is showing life again under different markings. The council changed their tune—but does the same melody linger?—and wanted every operator applying for a license or renewal to pass through the police lineup, after which the council would arbitrarily approve or disapprove. The opposition fired back that there was nothing wrong with that if the council would show cause why an applicant was disapproved and if the aplicant had recourse to law.

That's where the proposal stands today: officially, it's indefinitely postponed; unofficially, it's still a hot potato that hasn't sprouted.

It happened to a friend of an operator. She took little Junior, aged 5, down to confer with Santa Claus at one of the department stores. This particular store has a novel window display. Amid a background of white bobbing Eskimos and penguins, sits Santa in all his glory. At his elbow is a microphone, and the words of Santa and the boys and girls he interviews are loud-speakered to the audience outside. Junior waited in line. Youngsters who drove Mamma and Pappa simply cra-a-azy at home, walked up meekly and sat practically tongue-tied on the red-suited lap while Santa gushed over the little angels. Came Junior's turn. Up the rampand on to the lap he went. Then Santa went into his routine. "Well, my little man, what do you want for Christmas?" he asked genially. Little Junior (so help me, I've got witnesses that'll swear this actually happened) looked very annoyed, and said: "Jesus Christ, haven't you got my letter yet?"

And still they come: Coin Row's well-worn welcome mat thumped to the arrival of Al Sleight, regional sales manager for Bally, and Operators Abe VanDiest, Yakima, Ted Brower, Aberdeen, Roy White, Port Angeles, Earl Stump, Anacortes, E. L. Lewis, Klamath Falls, and Van Booth, Mt. Vernon.

Twenty trophies and three war bonds

are the total winnings of Op Porky Jacobs' winningest dog, Le Monde Chic de Larson. The prize toy poodle picked off two more "firsts" in the Tacoma and Bremerton dog shows. Out of 427 entrants in Tacoma, Judge Forrest Hall named Porky's pooch as the best breed.

The inventive resources of George Schnabel, flowering to fullness with his revolutionary Coinmaster, has again plucked the pulse of popular appeal with a new one-shot marble game, which can be operated on automatic payout or free play. a simplified mechanism and eye-catching features, George expects production to be rolling at top speed in six or eight months. His 1,000th cheat-proof Coinmaster coinchute was sold to Lonnie Logsdon of Oregon City. Four traveling ambassadors of installation recently rigged up fifty for Jack Campbell, Portland, and fifty for Earl Bush at Marshfield. Six new installers are now being trained for their precisionperfect duties.

The Decca Co. double-spreaded a national advertisement on Mills Brothers' "Paper The orders poured in, which is wonderful news if you have the stock—but Decca didn't. So if you walk into the local office and find Andy Huffine and his helpers cutting paper dolls, remember they're only doing the best next-to-disc thing.

The carpenters have cleared away the last of the lumber; the painters have splashed their final brushful; the machines have been moved and the help has been hired-Seattle Coin Machine Co. is ready for post-war business in their newly renovated quarters. Co-owner Sam Grossman plans to man his shop with one slot-machine expert, one phonograph specialist, and one pin-game mechanic. Co-owner Earl Everett points out that there is the colly jobbling house on the Boys where only jobbing house on the Row whose shop receives the full benefit of ventilation and light. "Most shops—and I've worked in enough to know-are in the back of the house, and after a day's work the stale air gives a guy the wobbles. Ours has a front-view of Elliott Bay and the best ventilation and working conditions possible.

Meat-rationing was on its last legs when Op Stan Fehrenbacher and his ace me-Op Stan Fehrenbacher and his ace mechanic Jerry Steffan, also on their last legs, plodded along in Okanogan County during a game-less hunting expedition. At a turn in the trail Jerry looked up and saw his boss's ear bleeding. "Hey, look," he said, "something's hit your ear." Stan reached up a hand and sure enough it was the stuff red corpuscles are made of. "What did you do to my ear?" he demanded of his mechanic. Jerry stammered that he didn't know what had hapmered that he didn't know what had happened, so they proceeded to a first-aid station. On returning to Seattle, Stan recounted the details to Op-Gagster Porky Jacobs. Pointing to his ear, he said, "This is where they nicked me."

"Serves you right," Porky wagged, "for trying to get meat without points!"

New Year Notings in a Nutshell—After

three years and two months, Uncle Sam finally relinquished his hold on Ron Pep-ple. On December 7 at the Fort Lewis Separation Center, Northwest Sales' boss-man traded his "PFC" for "Mister"... The mystery of what happened to Esther Erickson, who took off like a bird and didn't return to the Jack R. Moore nest until a week later, goes down in the record book as "unsolvable." Esther won't talk—and when a woman won't talk, it's not only news but unnatural.

After months of disappointment and illluck, there'll be a happy ending to the Bob

Chamberlin story. Cured of bullet wounds in Okinawa and eye-poisoning at Honolulu, Bob arrived in San Diego, thence to Camp Pendleton, where he now awaits processing and discharge . . . Capitol Records open here the first of the year with Ed Miller here the first of the year with Ed Miller in charge . . . Back to Heberling's comes ex-navyman Cal Clifford. The sailor from Kent, an ex-route man, recently proudpappaed for the third time: all boys.

Hunched over his typewriter valiantly punching at the keys, Solly Solomon bemoans the stenographic shortage. "Efficient help is header to get new then during

moans the stenographic shortage. Emcient help is harder to get now than during the war," Solly says . . . Victory in 1945; Victory Derby in 1946! Bally's new game a pocketful of ambition and a pocketful of greenbacks, Vernon T. Hilton is taking ground lessons in vending preparatory to blossoming forth as a full-fledged operator. Emmett Lenihan, legal adviser for the

pin-game associations before the country's call to arms, has doffed his blouse, turned in his "pinks," and handed the eagle back to the U. S. Army . . . Ten years is a long time to wait for anything, but after a decade, Curly Gohr finally came into his own as a hunter. He bagged four deer and a 1200-pound, 52-inch-horn-spread moose on two trips to the wilds of Canada.

It was a triple play: Puget Sound Novel-ty to Jack Moore to Western Distributors, with Solly Solomon making the put-out by adding Vern Preston to the shop staff The Heberling office is being remodeled, and you have to play hide-and-seek with the painter's ladder to locate their temporary quarters . . . Ex-Decca chief Bill Clark is ship-yarding in Seattle . . . After navying in the South Pacific, Portlander Sherman Arps joined the staff of the local Moore shop.

Two-thirds of the trio purchasing Fred

Lavell's one-ball automatic route in Spokane have been identified as T. V. Smith and Gordon R. Loosmore . . . Back in Seattle circulation is Lyle Tenney after a Lesse Rickford sojourn to Minneapolis . . . Jesse Bickford is enroute to Bremerton for separation from the navy and the blues that made him

Sgt. Louis Karnofsky

Benver

James P. Blackwell, pioneer coin machine operator, is now entering upon a new phase of the business; he is taking into partnership two of his long-time associates, Mrs. Nilla C. King, for many ciates, Mrs. Nilla C. King, for many years office manager and secretary, and Earl C. Van Zandt, who was route manager and supervisor of operations during the operating days in the business.

Both Mrs. King and Van Zandt were very happy about the new arrangement and lavish in praise of Blackwell's thought-

ful consideration for his associates. Zandt reviewed past operations and said that Blackwell was really the pioneer man in the music box business in this country and is responsible for a great many of the innovations that have popularized it until it is now a utility. He built up and was at one time recognized as the largest operator of coin operated phonographs in America. He has been very successful, yet in his own personal success he has remembered those who contributed to that success. He often said that he "didn't want all the money in the world," and proved it by selling his routes to the boys who were loyal to him during his operation of those machines, and today, with one exception, Van Zandt said, all of those routes are paid for and the young men who used to be Blackwell's route men

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SOMETHING TO RAVE ABOUT

SPECIAL SLOT VALUES

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Gold Chrome	25c 350.00	Orig. Chro	me 25c	300.00	Black Fron	t 25c H.L	275.00
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Ready For Location—Reconditioned Automatic Payout Consoles

Mills 3 Bells\$895 00	Pace Twin 5c & 25c\$475.00
Mills 4 Bells 395 00	Jumbo Parade Late 5c 135.00
Mills 4 Bells L.H 575.00	Jumbo Parade 25c 295.00
Baker Pacer, D.D., J.P 265.00	Super Bell Twin 5c & 5c., 395.00
Baker Pacer J.P. Remote., 365.00	4-Way Super 3/5 & 25c 650.00
Jennings Silvermoon 135.00	Suner Track Time 295.00
Jennings Bobtail125.00	Caille Rou'ette 25c 275.00
Super Bell 5c 325.00	Jennings Golf Ball 25c 195.00
Derby Day S.L 65.00	Bally Hi Hand 5c 195.00
Pace Twin 5c & 10c 395.00	Paces Pay Day 25c 225.00
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Thoroughly Reconditioned Free Play Consoles

Super Bell Comb\$325.00 Big Game Latest\$1	35 00 Jumbo Parade F.P. \$110.0
Bally Club Bells 275.00 Silver Moon Tot 1	19.50 Bally Big Top 109.5

Thoroughly Reconditioned 1-Ball Multiple Payout Tables

Turf King	Kentucky 275.00	Santa Anita 165.00
Jockey Club	Long Shot	Spinning Reels 110 00
Gottlieb Multiple Races	\$99.50 Mills 1-2-3	\$69.50

Free Play Tables

	\$475.00 Pimlic	5.00 Snortsma	
Thorobred	475.00 Club 195.00 Dark	5.00 Mills '40 5.00 Sports Si	

Write For Lists: Arcade Equipment, Automatic P.O. Consoles, 5 and 1-Ball F.P. Pin Games,

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which they have served for years.

And, going further, Van Zandt said, "Blackwell has seen fit to re-enter the distributing business by taking on the Aireon Automatic Phonograph," and it is in this new venture that Mrs. King and Van Zandt have become actively associated as partners and whose enthusiastic co-operation will contribute largely to the future of Aireon. Van Zandt declared that "when you are working with Blackwell you are doing business with one of the most splendid characters there is in the music business." He said that "now it can be told that Blackwell Distributing Co. does not operate any phonographs whatever or any other coin operated equipment, but is absolutely in the distributing business and will be in that position from now on."

In a letter to the trade Blackwell reports that he attended Aireon's preview showing of this new equipment in Kansas City and he states that without doubt "this phonograph is the most gorgeous piece of merchandise I have had the pleasure of viewing." He writes further of the many exclusive features and extends an invitation to "see it with your own eyes and hear it with your own ears . . ." He is to advise later just what date in January the trade can be invited in for a personal showing of the "most marvelous Phonograph and Accessories you will see and hear in years to come."

H. E. Walker, Walker Vending Machine

H. E. Walker, Walker Vending Machine Co., is now located in his new quarters on Eleventh St., that were formerly occupied by Modern Music Co. who have moved over to Welton St. Walker advises that he will now operate under the name Walker Music Co. and he is expecting to carry a more extensive line of goods as soon as available. The new quarters will afford opportunity for expansion together with ample stock and office facilities.

Gibson Bradshaw of the Denver Dis-

Gibson Bradshaw of the Denver Distributing Co., reports that for the past month he has been out of town on a combined vacation and business trip, during which time he went through 17 states and spent a week-end in Florida. He returned about a week ago and is feeling much better than for some time. Bradshaw is now waiting for more equipment to become available

A. A. Roberts of Wolf Sales Co. recently returned from an extended trip over the territory, visiting various operators and lining up plans for business when conditions open up for the new year. He says that things are rather quiet among the operators, but that all of them are revamping routes and trying to get their business organized so that when new equipment becomes available they will be able to move right in without too much trouble. He said, however, that none of the operators were complaining that their income had dropped—in many cases rather than a decrease they have had an increase in their business. This they account for by the fact that all of these boys formerly in the Army, are getting out.

in the Army, are getting out.

Lieut. A. C. Roberts, partner in Wolf Sales Co., has been assigned to duties at Fort Logan, near Denver, and is now able to visit the office and contact his family and other associates in business.

Members of the Wolf Sales Co., including Wolf Reiwitz, A. A. Roberts and A. C. Roberts, spent the Thanksgiving holiday in San Francisco with their families. Immediately after the reunion they left for Denver to take care of business affairs. Sergeant Herbert H. Wolf has just re-

Sergeant Herbert H. Wolf has just returned to his old job after spending around 14 months in England. During this time he flew 21 missions over Germany, France

and Italy. For these outstanding services he was awarded a Purple Heart, The D.F.C., Air Medal, Victory Medal, American Defense Medal, and Good Conduct Medal. (This latter, Sergeant Wolf refers to as "a mistake.") He returned to the United States about 5 months ago and expects soon to be joined by his wife, a Colorado girl, although Lieut. Wolf originally hailed from the East. A. A. Roberts said that Sergeant Wolf had been drafted while in the employ of the company and is resuming his former position in the service department.

The Knudsen family in Utah—Jean and Wesley, at Ogden and Provo, respectively, had pretty good luck during the deer hunting season. Between these two and other members of the Knudsen family, they brought down five bucks this year.

Just returned from a 6,000 mile trip over the territory, A. A. Roberts said that the only hunting he had been able to do was hunting for operators, every one of whom seemed to be spending much of his time at this season on hunting expeditions.

Howard Hold went pheasant hunting on opening day and got four pheasants. His partner got five, which equalled about 3 each as they couldn't find all of them. He went again on Thanksgiving Day, but only got one pheasant.

Lieut. Claude Sharpenstein, Jr., partner in the Arizona Automatic Co., is now on terminal leave from the Army and expects

to be released in December.

Modern Distributing Co. is now nicely located in the new quarters. Remodeling and alterations are well along toward completion. There is a big stock room, a large show room, a record room and a nice suite of offices, and ample space thruout. Its central location will appeal to the operators when they visit the store as it is convenient to hotels, shops and good eating places. Modern declares it has the best equipped phonograph department in Colorado—it has a big record stock which sells out rapidly.

Leo Negri, formerly with the Armed Services, has recently become affiliated with Modern Distributing Co. and last week made his first trip down through Pueblo, Walsenburg and Trinidad, getting acquainted with the operators in those localities. He reports that he had a very successful trip.

Operators throughout the territory, Negri said, are waiting impatiently for the new Rock-Ola machines.

The Negri brothers, numbering six, appear to predominantly favor the music business, as at one time four of them were active in the music business, though now

only three, two of whom are with Modern

Frank Mazzone of Modern said there is a special demand for the record "Dig You Later (Hubba, Hubba, Hubba)." He said it was the strongest thing on the machines today—that it had taken in more nickles than anything which has hit Denver He also believes that there is a very good prospect for "Symphony," with Freddy Martin's Orchestra.

Frances Conrey

San Francisco

Prospects are definitely brighter concerning the arrival of sorely needed new equipment. Distributors, who a month ago were reluctant to hazard even conjectures, are now eagerly anticipating their postwar merchandise, and to the \$64 question "WHEN?" their predictions range from "any day" to "within 3 months at the latest—provided nothing further occurs to upset the apple cart."

Don Clark, owner of Clark Distributing Co., exclusive Wurlitzer distributor for the West Coast, has just returned from the Wurlitzer distributors' meeting in the East, and is busy arranging for a Wurlitzer showing and Wurlitzer operators meeting, in the first half of January. According to plans, it will be a gala event, and the first of its kind since pre-war, in the West. Besides displaying the new Wurlitzer models, a new merchandising policy will be explained to operators. Clark said he would give us the full details prior to the meeting. L. Hock has been appointed general sales manager of Clark Distributing Co. Before taking his present position, Hock had been sales manager of Pennsylvania Central Air Lines.

California Amusement Co. got in its first two samples of arcade equipment; Bally's Victory Derby, one ball pay out machine, and Super Skeeroll, which Chet Garton demonstrates with great enthusiasm and gusto. Chet reports that operators are very much impressed by the improved features, such as the straight drop coin chute of the slug rejector type, and that the whole mechanism in the new model, is in the back, easily accessible, mounted on swinging shelves, being very handy for repairs and adjustments. Appearance of the machine is also very much enhanced, substituting a compact front, with a door to the previously employed spindly less.

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Walter A. Huber, sales manager of California Amusement Co., has just returned from a swing through Northern California, and observed that it certainly would be a heyday for salesmen, if they only had some merchandise to sell.

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76 FOR JANUARY 1946 Chet Garton instituted a quaint custom. Around ten o'clock, coffee is served to everyone on the premises: executives, office help, service men and visitors. It really is very charming, and promotes a great deal of good feeling and fellowship for the whole personnel, and whoever happens to be around, to get together for a friendly ten minutes chat. Three cheers for Chet. In these days of unrest, any friendly gesture that brings about a more cohesive and friendly organization, might be of inestimable value.

A. McKenzie, owner of Better Service Music Co., Mill Valley, dropped by California Music Co., and spoke the praise of Singing Towers. He said: "Singing Towers are working very nicely, and I'm very happy with them." Mac had been in the coin machine business for quite some time, but it's only about a year ago since he became an independent operator. Due to the many bedevilments of the moment, the route isn't very big, "but it certainly will grow as conditions permit," said Mac.

Associates, Rock-Ola distributors, are growing by leaps and bounds. Recently they have taken over still another building which is being rapidly converted into a showroom and housing sound-proof listening rooms, according to George Bennett, one of the Associates. Bennett also informed your reporter that he is expecting Rock-Ola samples almost any day

San Francisco Cigarette Vending Machine Co., owned by Dick Parina, will be moving to 56 Page St. within the next 90 days. Dick said he had taken over the

entire three story building and his new establishment will be approximately three times the size of the present one at 156 9th St. Cigarets, of course, are no longer a problem since they can be had abundantly, and as far as that end of the business is concerned. Dick said: "We are getting along swell," however, though old equipment has been thoroughly overhauled, after years of service it is difficult to keep them at maximum efficiency, and Dick is hopefully awaiting the day when new equipment can be secured.

Hank Maser is planning to go East in January to make a survey of the general situation, and make additional arrangements. As we mentioned last month, Hank is entering into the manufacturing phase of the business. Right after his return, the Maser slot machines will start rolling off the assembly line.

Formed for the purpose of protecting the interests of the automatic music industry, the Associated Music Operators, Inc., have watched with grave misgivings the Buckley Bill H.R. 3190 pending before the House Patent Committee. As early as October 8, the association dispatched letters to U. S. Congressmen from California, Richard J. Welch and Frank Havenner, in order to enlist their cooperation to defeat this bill so injurious to the best interests of the industry. In part the letter reads: "This measure, if passed, would prohibit the operation of music boxes in the various cafes and restaurants throughout your territory and the United States in general. This copyright act, if followed through, would necessitate a tax so great that it would

prohibit the rendering of music by records in establishments where the masses or the working class of people dine. This measure also would put many people out of work, and is of such a discriminatory nature, it would only be helpful to a certain group of people."

Both Congressmen answered the letters, Havenner saying in part: "I will be glad to bear in mind your interest in this legislation when it comes before the House of Representatives for consideration and give it my most careful attention, etc." Congressman Welch had this to say in his reply: "If and when this bill comes before the House for action, I shall be glad to give it my personal consideration."

Since the exchange of letters the Associated Music Operators, Inc., has kept the wires to Washington, D.C., humming, reminding our Congressmen of the injurious effects passing of the Buckley Bill would entail.

Bob Weiner, is enlarging his route. He and his wife bought a handsome home in Miraloma Park, (one of the fine residential districts here) where Bob is fixing up an up-to-date workshop.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ludwig are vacationing here, getting a lot of fun out of attending the races. Ludwig is a prominent Sacramento operator. Though this is supposed to be play time, Ludwig is not neglectful of business interests, and is busy calling on distributors and jobbers to get first hand information, and also to put himself in line for new equipment when it becomes available.

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Francis Smith, late of the U.S. Marine Corps, has been given an honorable discharge as a Lieutenant after three years of service in the Pacific. Following a visit here with his parents, he and his wife left for California, where he plans to open

operations in the coin machine business.

Corporal Thornton Smith who has been in Europe for two years in the finance de-partment of Uncle Sam's army is en-route home and expects to resume operations

Jake Sanguinetti, recently discharged from the Navy at Pensacola, is home and has taken up where he left off when he was called to the colors. With his partner, John McGivaren, they operate the J and

Among the operators who attended the Notre Dame-Tulane football game in New Orleans recently were: John McGivaren, Pinky Gremillion, Beauvais Caire, Dave Junkin, Barnett Seruo, Hoody Woods, and Charley Dixon.

Charles Morel, son of Charles Morel, Sr., owner of the Morel-Starr Co., is now associated with his father in the operation of the business. Morel, Jr., came here recently from Ft. Smith, Arkansas, where he was operating a branch office of the local firm.

Robert "Pee Wee" Garrity, who served in the armed forces, has been discharged, and is now working for the Eidt Distributing Co.

Wayne Jenkins of the California Co. is enjoying a well earned vacation. He reports killing a number of ducks and a deer on a recent hunt in the swamplands of Louisiana with a number of other oper-

Bill Eidt, owner and operator of Eidt's Enterprises is back from a hunt in Tensas parish, Louisiana, and says that the game is like his business, bigger and better. Bill

looks forward to a successful 1946.

Charley Stewart has opened a new business in the county and says his coin machines are doing a land office business. His place is on the Liberty Road, near Natchez. He formerly operated in Woodville, Miss. James W. Sheppard, son-in-law of operator Ham Nelson, has received his honorable discharge

ator Ham Nelson, has received his honorable discharge from the armed forces and is now associated with Nelson in the operation of the F and N Amusement Co.

Mrs. Ellis C. Keathley, widow of the late E. C. Keathley, owner and operator of the Natchez Music Co., is visiting with members of her family in Cotton Valley, Mississippi, and recovering from her recent

After being associated with Ewing Co. for some time, Harvey "Slapsie" Lawrence has resigned and will open his own company soon. He plans to operate in Natchez exclusively and has already begun plans for construction of a shop on one of the main streets of the city. He was also formerly with the Star-Morel Co.
Sgt. Charles L. Weeks, formerly

nected with coin machine operators of this

city as a service man, has received his honorable discharge from the U. S. Army

Air Forces and is now at home.

P. K. Ewing, Jr., of the Ewing Co., accompanied by George L. Wilson, his service man, attended the annual Sugar Bowl game in New Orleans on New Year's

Day.

Mike Verruchi, well known local operation ator, is out following a recent operation for appendicitis at the Natchez General

Coin machine business seems to be very, very good in all parts of Louisiana. Especially in Baton Rouge and New Orleans is business on the upgrade. Slots are permitted to operate in both cities, and all other machines get good plays also. Too bad the counties of Mississippi frown

on slot operators because they would realize much revenue, just as they would from liquor sales, etc.

Local operators and your humble scribe had the pleasure of entertaining one of the top automatic phono singers, the famous top automatic phono singers, the famous movie-stage and radio and recording cowboy artist, the one and only Tex Ritter. Tex with Wesley Tuttle, also a recording artist in his own right and the inimitable Dub "Cannonball" Taylor, were here with the Tex Ritter troupe while touring the south on a series of one nighters. They played to a capacity house at the municipal auditorium and came here from a * * * week's engagement in New Orleans

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NEW EQUIPMENT DELIVERIES continue slow, and will for some time. In addition to help shortages, materials just aren't available. Our newsmen are close to the picture and it's the same chant in every manufacturing establishment. It's unfair to say, at this moment, just when adequate supplies of new equipment will be available. Some responsible sources tell us that June will be early. Others say that unless the supply and labor picture changes, it may be even longer. Limited amounts of games and vendors will roll within the next few weeks but big-scale production just isn't in the cards at this time.

PHONOGRAPHS: There will be a lot of order taking from samples in January, February and March and factories will be reluctant to guarantee any delivery dates. Most of the majors have set up terrific production schedules, eclipsing any pre-war year. But supplies from other sources pertinent to manufacturing will throw a monkey-wrench into the best planned schedules, unless the labor picture clears. Trends: As reported last month, new phonographs will be smaller, compact, and easier to service and transport because smaller models will fit any particular type of location decor. Price Structure holds around \$650-\$850 as reported last month, with the possible exception of two units that will break this figure and sell for less. Watch this prediction. Suppliers: Add to last month's nine starters in the 1946 Phono Derby the name of Williams Manufacturing Co., Chicago. Harry Williams has tossed his hat in the ring and will have a new automatic phonograph during 1946. This names ten positive manufacturers, plus a rumored three who have yet to make a formal entry announcement.

VENDING: A lot of new manufacturers are eyeing this Industry and are only interested in the automatic vending end. In the <u>Cigarette</u> end Mack Postel relates, in this issue, that more than ten new manufacturers will be manufacturing vendors. One manufacturer of an all-electric vendor is represented in this issue, and more are to follow. Rowe will start deliveries in January - the rest are reluctant to set dates. First all-electric vendor is in production with deliveries promised for February.

CANDY OPERATORS: Don't plan on a continuance of any bar supply relief you have had recently. Present deliveries have been upped due to Government cancellation of candy buying contracts. A quick change is coming. Sugar is still short and adequate supplies will not be available until 1947 and candy vending operators cannot expect an adequate supply of quality merchandise for vending devices much before that time. 1946 Cuban crop will be larger by far than 1945, but will not be big enough to care for all requirements. Candy manufacturers are planning for the long pull to '47. You plan accordingly, too!

COIN-OPERATED RADIOS: General Electric, Zenith, Philco and Galvin are reported to have such a job "in the works." There is a big field here and it will pay to watch developments. This is a prime field for coin-controlled units. Articles on such operations will be in forthcoming issues of THE REVIEW.

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LOS ANGELES-M. M. Griffin of the California Amusement Co. organization, is being moved to San Francisco on January 2nd, to take over the shop there, according to an announcement by Bill Wolf. A new auditor is being added here and announcement will be forthcoming next month.

Firm Changes Hands

HOUSTON—S. W. Martin and H. M. Crowe have purchased all assets and liabilities of the Standard Music Distributors, 1201 Chenevert St., and will operate under the trade name of Crowe-Martin Distributing Co. at the same address.

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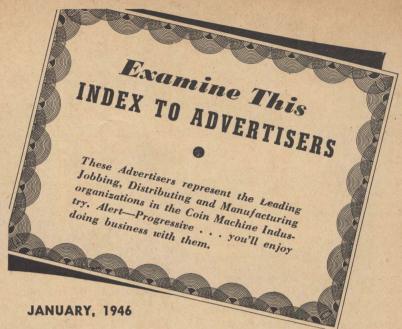
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